The Bombay Gazette

No. 11,325 New Series. BOMBAY :—MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1885.

SHIPPING.

S. S. "GWALIOR."
FOR VENICE AND TRIESTE.

SHIPPERS are requested to take Notice that this Steamer will LOAD in the HARBOUR instead of in the Prince's Dock.

F. D. PARKER,
Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Company.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM TO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessels.	Tons	H.P.	Captain.	FRIDAY. 1885.
— Gwalior	2733	500	P. Harris	20th Mar.
L. Bokhara	2944	500	H. Weighell	27th "
M. Carthage	3913	1000	G. N. Hector	3rd April
L. Surat	3142	560	C. R. Edwards	10th "
— Nizam	2726	500	W. J. Webber	17th "
L. Chusan	4500	800	H. Wyatt	24th "
M. Siam	3041	500	E. Asisdown	1st May.
L. Malwa	2959	500	G. W. Atkinson	8th "
— Assam	3038	500	S. F. Coe	15th "
L. Verona	3116	600	A. C. Loggin	22nd "
			TUESDAY.	
M. Sutlej	4194	800	A. H. Johnson	26th May.
L. Venetia	2726	500	A. H. Daniell	2nd June.

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta, and those marked M via Marseilles. By the former passengers for London change Vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Company's Dockyard Mazagon, at 2 p.m., on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessel.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	On 1885.
VENETIA	2726	500	A. B. Daniell	20th Mar.
ROSETTA	3302	700	G. W. Brady	3rd April.
ROHILLA	3500	700	W. Barratt	17th "
BRINDISI	3542	500	L. Reeves	1st May.

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

F. D. PARKER,
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Bombay, March 10, 1885.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY

BRINDISI ROUTE.

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STEAMERS leave BOMBAY for MARSEILLES and LONDON direct every four weeks (see general advertisement), and the voyage to the former port is accomplished in 19 days in fair weather (21 days during the Monsoon). The Railway journey from Marseilles to London occupies about 27 hours.

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F. D. PARKER,
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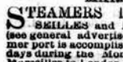
Bombay, Feb. 27, 1885.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA,

SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.



THE Regular Mail-steamers leave BOMBAY on the 1st of each month at noon, calling at ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES, starting from GENOA on the 21st of every month for BOMBAY.

FARE to all Ports of Italy and Marseilles, Rs. 500, Rs. 300, Rs. 150, for First, Second, and Third Class respectively, inclusive of Wine. Infants are allowed free. Children over three and under ten years, half fare. Families will be allowed liberal discount.

Passengers' heavy Baggage will be delivered in LONDON, FREE OF CHARGE, to the extent allowed in the handbooks.

A discount of 35, 20, and 10 per cent. is allowed to Passengers returning within three, six, and twelve months respectively from the date of LANDING.

The following or other First Class Steamers will leave Bombay :—

	Tons.	H.P.	
RUFFAELE RUBATTINO	5,000	850	1st April 1885.
SINGAPORE	,000	800	1st May "

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Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, Feb. 2, 1885.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS
BETWEEN BOMBAY, BRINDISI, AND TRIESTE, *VIA* CANAL.

Steamers.	Captains	Tons.	H. P.	To sail 1885
ELEKTRA	G. Cattich	4,100	600	2nd April
MEDUSA	G. Rogusin	3,500	550	2-4 May
AMPHITRITE(new)	C. Lazarich	4,500	600	2nd June

A Surgeon and Stewardess on board of every Steamer.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 500	Rs. 300	Rs. 130

RETURN TICKETS are now issued available for SIX MONTHS at the following rates :—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 900	Rs. 480

Above rates include Wines supplied at meals.

Steamers for BOMBAY leave TRIESTE on the 1st and BRINDISI on the 3rd of each month.

The Company's steam launch will be in attendance at the Apollo-bunder on the day of sailing to convey passengers and their luggage to the steamer, free of charge.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1885.
AMPHITRITE(new)	C. Lazarich	4,500	600	29th March.

STEAM TO COLOMBO AND CALCUTTA.

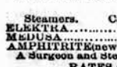
Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail.
ORION	G. Maherolich	3,500	500	15th March

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

For further particulars, freight, passage, &c., &c., apply to

J. JANNI, Agent.
Sassoon House, 50, Church-gate-street, Bombay
March 2, 1885.

EXTRA STEAMER TO TRIESTE.
CALLING AT ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID.



THE Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's s. s. "MELPOMENE," Captain L. LEMESSICH, will sail as above on the 18th March 1885.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
1st Class to Suez ..... Rs. 300 } including food.
Do. to Trieste ..... " 400 } (Wines extra.)

J. JANNI,
Agent, A. H. Lloyd's S. N. Co.
Bombay, March 3, 1885.

GRINDLAY, GROOM, AND Co., BOMBAY,
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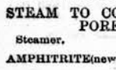

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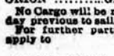
S. S. PHAROS, 2283 tons register, will SAIL FOR ANTWERP direct on or about the 17th March. She has accommodation for a few first and second class passengers.

For particulars apply to W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Bombay, 12th March 1885. Agents.

CITY LINE OF STEAMERS.



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FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "SCINDIA," 2,661 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 18th March, at 4 p.m., calling at such ports as may be arranged. Particulars can be ascertained on application to the undersigned.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
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INDIAN AND COLONIAL EXHIBITION, LONDON, 1886.

ROYAL COMMISSION FOR THE COLONIAL AND INDIAN EXHIBITION

(Copy.)
South Kensington, S. W., Janury 2, 1885.

Dear Sirs,

I am requested by his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, President of the Royal Commission, to inform you that he has had under consideration your application for the appointment of passenger Agents to the Royal Commission on of the Colonial and Indian Exhibition.

His Royal Highness, considering similar services rendered by your firm upon the occasions of the International Exhibitions at Vienna in 1873 and at Paris in 1878, approves of the appointment of your firm under the same conditions as upon those occasions.

Very sincerely yours.
(Signed) PHILIP CUNLIFFE OWEN.
Secretary.

Messrs. Thos Cook & Son.

In accordance with the above appointment, Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son are prepared to receive as early as possible the names and addresses of all who purpose visiting the Exhibition, and the dates of departure from Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, and Kurrchee, so that names can be registered in consecutive order and the necessary accommodation reserved on the various lines of steamers.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the FOURTH CALL of £2 per share is made payable at this office on or before the 23rd March, 1885.
Bombay, 6th March, 1885.

COMMISSARIAT NOTICE.

WITH reference to the Notice published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, No. 11, dated 24th February, 1885, page 26. Sealed Tenders will be received by the Commissariat Store-keeper General, Madras, until 12 o'clock noon on the 25th March, 1885, for the supply of 12,000 lbs. of SOAP COUNTRY for washing palliasses, to be delivered at Madras. Samples should accompany Tender. The Contractor will be bound to deliver at Madras free of charge 25 per cent. of soap in addition to the amount paid for to over dryage in store.

By Order of the Commissary-General,
G. F. WATSON, Lieut.,
Commissariat Store-keeper General.
Commissariat Store-keeper Genl's Office, Madras, 27th February, 1885.

NOTICE.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to 1 p. m. of the 20th instant for the supply of PROVISIONS and STORES required for the use of the Light-ship, Pilot Schooners, and other vessels of the Port Department for one year from 1st April, 1885, to 31st March, 1886.

The Tenders should include delivery after examination and approval at this office or all stores at the several stations for which they are required.

A schedule of estimated quantities and any further particulars can be obtained at this office.

The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

HENRY MORLAND, Captain, I.M.,
Port Officer,
Port Office, Bombay, 6th March, 1885.

TREACHER & COMPANY, LD.

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JAMS and JELLIES—Apple, Apricot, Currant, Damson, Gooseberry, Greengage, Plum, Raspberry, Strawberry, and Marmalade, &c.
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ANOTHER SUPPLY RECEIVED.

A CONDIMENT of rare excellence ; prepared under state supervision from the choicest Indian Fruits. The most delicious combination yet produced. As an adjunct to Meat, Fowl, Fish, Curries, Pilaus, Macaronis, &c., &c., it cannot be equalled, imparting an exquisite zest to the plainest food and reviving the most jaded appetite.

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Potash-water (British Pharmacopœia)	Rs. 0 12
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Lemonade	
Tonic-water ...	All of superior quality and delicate flavour. " 1 0
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Gingerade	
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PURIFYING SALINE

IS the best safeguard for the general health during change of seasons. It is FRESHER, SUPERIOR and CHEAPER, compared with imported preparations of a like kind, and is one of the best aperients and blood-purifying remedies known.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

MR. E. M. WALTON wishes to intimate to the Public that he has ADMITTED Mr. HERBERT BROMLEY, Dental Surgeon, (late of London), a PARTNER in his PRACTICE from THIS DATE.

N.B.—Mr. Walton has not left Bombay, or retired from Practice, as currently reported. Future address :—
Messrs. WALTON & BROMLEY,
Dental Surgeons.
Bombay, February 2, 1885.

WANTED,

A SECRETARY for the Shikarpur Municipality (European or Eurasian.) Salary not exceeding Rs. 300 per mensem. A knowledge of surveying and leveling is indispensable.

Applications with copies of testimonials to be addressed to the Vice-President Shikarpur Municipality up to the 10th April, 1885.

E. NASH, Secretary,
Shikarpur Municipality.
Shikarpur, 5th March, 1885

TO LET from the 1st of April for eight months a furnished Bungalow on Cumballa Hill.

FOR SALE about the same time—
A pair of very good grey Arab horses and harness. The horses have been only two years in work.
A buffalo (and calf) in full milk.
A buffalo in calf.
A victoria, horse and harness, well suited for office work, the horse good-looking and up to any amount of work.
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ALCOCK, ASHDOWN AND COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND DIVIDEND of Rs. 6-10 per share of Rs. 150 paid-up, and Rs. 10-2-8 per share of Rs. 200 paid-up, will be paid, on and after MONDAY, the 16th instant, at the Company's Office, No 36, Apollo-street, Fort, to those shareholders whose names stood on the Company's register on 28th Feb., 1885, on production of share certificates.

ALCOCK, ASHDOWN AND HEPWORTH,
Secretaries and Managers.
Bombay, 10th March 1885.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE
GRAND INDIAN CIRCUS
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PROF. VISHNOO MORESHWAR CHATRE.
PERFORMANCE EVERY EVENING
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Also afternoon performances specially for families from 4 to 6 p.m. on SATURDAY and SUNDAY.

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Children under 10 years at half rate.
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LONDON-MADE WATCHES, Gold and Silver, full and three-quarter plate, gold plain and compensation balance, with key and keyless extra strong, keyless half-quarter and minute repeaters, and also independent centre second watches. Also 18-ct. gold full size Albert chains, most suitable for presentation.
Pray see before buying.
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ANNOUNCEMENT.
MR. T. H. STEPHENS wishes to intimate to the public that he has ADMITTED Mr. ALEXANDER STEPHENS as a PARTNER in his PRACTICE from this date. Patients at OUT-STATIONS visited on receipt of telegram.
Future address :—
MESSRS. STEPHENS BROTHERS,
Dental surgeons.
Bombay, March 14, 1885.

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PLAIN AND ENCAUSTIC,
FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND DWELLINGS,
As laid by us in
Numerous Churches, Banks, and Dwellings in every part of the country.
Glazed and Enamelled Tiles for Mantels, Hearths, Wainscotting, etc., and for Exterior Decoration.
WARDEN & Co.,
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IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.
ESTABLISHED 1803.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£1,200,000
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POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE upon Houses, Mills, and other Buildings, Household Furniture, Goods, Wares, and Merchandise in Bombay and up-country issued, on behalf of the above Company, at most favourable rates, by the Undersigned, from whom all particulars may be obtained.
BENN, ASHLEY & Co., Agents.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.
—An adjourned SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Corporation, (postponed from 14th inst. for want of quorum of members) will be held here on MONDAY, 16th instant., at 3 p.m. for the consideration of the business left undisposed of at the meeting held on the 9th instant.
A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Corporation will be held here at 4 p.m. on TUESDAY, 24th inst. for the transaction of the following business :—
(1) Kalkhasro N. Kabraji, Esq., will move: That an address of welcome be presented to Lord Reay, Governor of Bombay designate, on the occasion of his arrival in Bombay.
(2) Report of the Committee on the subject of Local Self-Government.
(3) Government Notification, appointing Brigade Surgeon H. Cook, as Member of the Corporation, and of the Town Council vice Surgeon Major H. J. Blanc, resigned.
By order of the Chairman,
H. WYNFORD BARROW,
Clerk, Municipal Corporation ; and Secy., Town Council.
Bombay, Municipal Offices, 11th March, 1885.

J. NEUBERG,
5, Meadow-street.
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A CHOICE PARCEL OF
MANILLA
CIGARS AND CHEROOTS,
"Cavite" Brand,
Extra fine quality and size,
The finest production of the Manillas and Choicest Importation of the Season.
Carefully selected by Mr. Neuberg's special agent at
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No. 1 CIGARS,
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Rs 90 per 1,000.
Per Box of 50, Rs. 5.

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Rs. 60 per 1,000.
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Rs. 40 per 1,000.
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SPECIALLY RECOMMENDED
MILD, MELLOW and FREE.

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FLOR DE JAVA,	"COQUETAS" Rs. 30	Rs. 3 8
Do.	"TRABUCOS" „ 35	„ 4 0
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EACH fitted with Tray, Portfolio, Instrument-Pad, Note Paper, Envelopes, Patent Inkstand, Wax, &c.; and with space for Letters and Papers beneath the Tray, with Patent Detector Lock and two Keys.

No. 1.	15 by 10 by 5 in. with extra Tray.....	Rs.	45 12
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			69 4

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„ 2	7½ by 4½ by 3 „		15	0
„ 3	9 by 5½ by 3½ „		17	4
„ 4	10 by 6 by 4 „		19	8
„ 5	11 by 6½ by 4½ „		21	0
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	Outside Measure.		With Pen-tray and Inkstand.
No. 1	14 by 8 by 5 inches.....	Rs. 22 8	27 0
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„ 3	16 by 12 by 11 „	„	26 4
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„ 5	20 by 15 by 15 „	„	34 8
„ 6	23 by 17 by 16 „	„	40 8

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CHUBB'S PATENT PADLOCKS.

Inches.	Rs. a.	Inches.	Rs. a.
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1¼	7 8	3½	11 14
1½	7 12	3½	13 2
1½	8 2	3½	16 4
2	9 0	4	18 12
2½	9 10	The Queen's Padlock..	1 10

CHUBB'S TILL LOCKS.

Inches.	Rs. a.	Inches.	Rs. a.
1½	6 4	2½	6 14
1¾	6 4	3	7 4
2	6 8	3½ by 3	8 12
2½	6 14	4 by 3	9 6

CHUBB'S CUPBOARD LOCKS.

2 in.	Rs. 6 4	4 in.	Rs. 7 8
3 „	„ 6 14	4 by 2½ in.	„ 8 2
3½ „	„ 6 14	4 by 3 „	„ 9 6
		4½ by 3 in.	Rs. 10 0

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1½ or 1¾ in. each ...	Rs. 6 14	3 in.	Rs. 7 12
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2½ in.	Rs. 7 4	3 in.	Rs. 7 12
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LESSEE.....MR. FRAMJEE C. MEHTA.
CARSON AND NUNN'S
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MR. FRAMJEE C. MEHTA has the pleasure to announce that he has made arrangements with the London Comedy and Burlesque Company of 12 talented Artistes, to give a short season of one month, when the latest London successes will be produced.
GRAND OPENING NIGHT.
MONDAY NEXT, 23RD MARCH, 1885,
When will be presented the new Farcical Comedy,
"THE PRIVATE SECRETARY."
Box plan at SOUNDY & Co., Ld., where tickets may be had and seats secured.

COMMISSARIAT.
SEALED TENDERS will be received at Noon on the 16th instant, at the Commissariat Storekeeper General's Office noted below, for Contracts as specified, when they will be opened and the rates read in the presence of such of the tenderers as may attend,
1,000 carts country in lots of 250 each.
1,200 sets of bullock equipments.
The carts and equipments to be according to musters to be seen at this office.
2. Forms of tenders and schedules with further particulars can be had on application at the above Office.
3. No tenders will be received or attended to unless accompanied by the necessary earnest-money in treasury receipt, viz., 35 per cent. on the estimated value of the Contract, which will be forfeited in the event of the supply not being according to contract.
4. No earnest-money in cash will be received.
5. In the event of earnest-money being deposited in the treasury and a tender not being submitted the earnest-money will be forfeited to Government.
J. M. BOYD, Colonel,
Commissariat Store-keeper-General.
Commissariat Storekeeper-General's Office, Bombay.
14th March, 1885.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.
The scale for these Advertisements is as follows :—Not exceeding 3 lines Re. 1 ; each succeeding line, As. 8. No trade advertisements are admitted under the scale.

MRS. CHESTER'S Private Boarding Establishmen Apollo House, Marine-street, Fort, every comfor assured, airy and lofty rooms, English managemen terms moderate.

MAHABLESHWUR READY LAID DAK —Framjee Ardaseer, Mail Contractor, appointed Dak Supplier in ordinary to H. E. the Governor of Bombay, has always on hand at Civil Lines, Poona, comfortable DAK PHAETONS and TONGAS. Terms moderate.

FROMY and ROGEE'S very old COGNAC. A shipment just received. Rs. 31 per case of 1 dozen, —BARTON & Co. Limited, Church-gate-street.

FOR SALE, splendid PLEASURE BOATS of different shapes and sizes. Apply MONEY EXCHANGE, Apollo-bunder.

WANTED, a first-rate English LETTER-WRITER, knowing a little of General Book-keeping. Apply, stating terms, to "A.S.," care of this office.

WANTED, ENERGETIC MEN as managers for sub-offices. Apply personally between 3 and 5 p.m. The SINGER MANUFACTURING Co., Church-gate-street.

FOR SALE, JUBBULPORE HILL TENT 11 by 11, first-rate order. Also, several volumes of "La Vie Parisienne." For particulars apply to "C.," Post Office, Ahmedabad.

DR. SEGUIN'S valuable VEGETABLE PREPARATIONS against Headache, Toothache, Skin-diseases, &c., Hair dyes in convenient forms.—STEWARD & Co., Church-gate-street.

TRICYCLES of best Coventry make, 50" wheels, ball bearings, nickel plated, spots, plated lamps, cushioned seat, with tools pouch &c., complete Rs. 250. H. A. GEYER & Co. Hornby-row, Bombay.

TODAY'S ICES, Pineapple and Strawberry Cream, Apple-water Ice, English and French Confectionery, crystalized fruits, candied Peels, Singapore Pineapple. MORENAS & Co. 15, Meadow-street.

CLEARANCE SALE, all Wool latest fashion Tweeds, Sac Coat and Trowers, Rs. 11-8. Tailoring Dept. under superintendence of First-class German Cutter.—Y. A. LACKA & Co., Bombay.

FRITZ'S COFFEE saves one-third, extracts all the delicious qualities of the coffee, and produces a beverage clear as crystal. A neat planished steel "Caffe," with instructions, Rs. 3-8, or packed by V. P. P. post Rs. 3-12.—SOUNDY & Co., Limited, Bombay.

TRICYCLE.—The "IMPERIAL CLUB," patent differential double-driving gear, hand-brake, ball bearings to all parts except pedals, bright parts, nickel-plated, with lamps and alarm complete, just imported. J. NEUBERG, Bombay.

FORT READING-ROOM & LIBRARY.—The Annual General Meeting of the Life Members and subscribers will be held in the Library rooms on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 5-45 p.m., to adopt the Committee's report and the audited balance-sheet and accounts for the year 1884.

COLEMAN'S FAMILY HOTEL, Apollo House, Fort. Some lofty, airy Rooms on top-flor.

RIPE STRAWBERRIES can be obtained daily (Sundays excepted) at PEARSE'S, Apollo-street.

NEW PATENT TYPE-WRITERS, Rs. 50. CHARLES ZERRENER & Co., No. 1, Tamarind-lane.

FOR SALE. Four Panther Cubs, one pair six months old and the other pair twelve months. Apply J. M. HENRY, Esq., Baroda.

G. I. P. R.—All refreshment contractors on this line now keep supplies of Kidd Shadboit's Whiskey. As used at the Bombay Club.

FOR SALE, on board s. s. Rosario, Prince's Dock, an English Black and Tan Terrier, well-bred and trained. Apply to CHIEF OFFICER.

GENTLEMEN who intend furnishing their houses should not fail to visit the extensive show rooms of JOHN ROBERTS & Co., 18, Marine-street.

GENERAL SATISFACTION expressed by Patrons for style and finish of work. Mrs. Coulson, Milliner and Dressmaker, near Crawford Market.

FOR SALE at makers' prices, Salford Donkey Pumps all sizes in Stock, Machine Exchange Company 20, Apollo-street, Fort, Bombay.

ADELPHI HOTEL, BYCULLA, near the Byculla and Grant-road Railway Stations, situate in a quiet locality, large airy Rooms.

JUST UNPACKED, a splendid assortment of Jewellery and superior old Persian Carpets of all sizes. HERJIMULL & Co., Esplanade-road.

PERRIER JOUET, "B" BRAND, RESERVE CUVEE CHAMPAGNE. Magnums, Rs. 11 ; Quarts, Rs. 5 ; Pints, Rs. 30-8 per dozen cash. Apply to LYON & Co.

JUST UNPACKED, Combination Biscuit, 1lb tin 7 annas ; 2 lb. 12 annas ; in large fancy bottles, 8 annas only ; other stores very cheap.—SHROFF BROTHERS.

COMFORTABLE PHAETONS and TONGA DAWKS for Mahableshwar, ready laid, at very moderate rates.—Peroshaw Burjorjee, Proprietor, Poona.

EXTRAORDINARY NOVELTY.—Excellent Havanas Smoker's Delight, from Rs 3 to 5 per 100. Eighteen varieties.—D. MACROPOLO, Meadow-street, Bombay.

RUINART'S Champagne, green seal, established 1791. Magnums, Rs. 98 per doz. ; quarts, Rs. 50 perdoz. ; pints, Rs. 26 per doz. Apply Ewart, Latham & Co.

JCOCKBURN and CAMPBELL'S EDINBURGH WHISKY, Rs. 26 per dozen. Apply EWART, LATHAM and Co., 3, Church Lane.

BASS'S Champagne Ale, bull-dog brand bottled by R. Porter and Co., first prize at Melbourne Intl. Exhibition. In cases 4 doz. quarts Rs. 5-6 per doz. ; 6 dozen pints Rs. 3-6 per doz. Apply EWART, LATHAM & Co

£6,277,986-3-0 STG. is the amount of the Invested Funds of the Standard Office. New Assurances last financial year £1,300,000.

MACLEAN'S GUIDE to BOMBAY and BOMBAY DIRECTORY for 1885. Price, Rs. 5, with postage Rs. 5-4. To be had at the *Bombay Gazette* Office.

TO HAND a new consignment of Coatings, Scotch Tweeds, Angolas, &c. All wool suits from Rs. 20. Trousers all wool from Rs. 8. JOHN MAHOMED & Co., 16, Meadow-street.

WAVERLEY HOTEL, Rampart-row.—A few good rooms (single and double) vacant. Out-boarders taken. Best accommodation and good table. Terms moderate. Mrs. Merritt, Proprietress.

WRITE for our new set of patterns of Shirtings in at materials. Large consignments just to hand Special manufacture for Hot Weather Shirts.—BADHAM PILE & Co., Limited, Bombay.

WANTED, a European who understands Piece-goods, and has a knowledge of general business and accounts ; for up-country. Salary Rs. 300, with quarters. Address in strict confidence, "YARN," *Bombay Gazette.*

COLOURED COTTON CHECKS and Stripes or Jharan Suits and Horse Clothing. The Muir Mills Company, Limited, Cawnpore, have a stock of the above in a variety of patterns. Samples and prices on application to the MANAGER AND SECRETARY.

AT MATHERAN.—TO BE LET, for the season, the "Folly," one of the best houses at Matheran, with six bed rooms, commanding excellent view, and well furnished. Rent moderate. Apply to B. C., care of this paper.

HAM, CHEESE, BACON, Tea, Coffee, Loaf Sugar, Dessert Fruits, Candied Peel, Currants picked, washed and ready for use.—PEARSE.

DON'T DIE IN THE HOUSE.
"ROUGH ON RATS" clears out Rats, Mice, Beetle Roaches' Flies, Ants, Insects, Moles, Chipmunk Gophers.
Cooper, Madon & Co., Bombay, Sole Agents.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HOMEWARD PASSAGES, SEASON 1885.
THOS. COOK and SON book passages (free of charge) by P. & O. and other Mail Steamers *to all parts of the world* ; and supply railway tickets in connection therewith from every principal station in India ; also Overland tickets from Brindisi, Naples, Malta, Trieste, etc. For special short sea trips for Easter Holidays, also a 55-days' trip, India to Australia and return, starting June 10, see March No. of "Mail," post-free, As. 4 ; also Handbook of Routes, with Map, post-free, As. 8.
Address :—
THOS. COOK & SON, Tourist Agents,
CALCUTTA : 10½, old Court House Street.
BOMBAY : 17, Hornby Row.

THE S. S. DELHI has arrived from Glasgow and discharges her cargo in the stream.
Consignees of Acids, Combustibles, and Explosives are hereby particularly requested to make arrangements to receive their goods without delay : otherwise the same will be discharged into hired boats at their risk and expense.
All claims must be settled before the steamer's departure.
W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Bombay, 14th March, 1885. Agents.

S.S. PERSIA.
CONSIGNEES of CARGO per s.s. PERSIA are hereby informed that the vessel has arrived after having been towed back to Gibraltar to replace the broken shaft. In consequence of this under General Average Act, consignees are requested to sign the average bond, which is lying at our office, to declare the value of their goods, and to pay 2 per cent deposit and freight, where due—after which delivery orders will be granted on presentation of their Bills of Lading.
W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents.
Bombay, 14th March, 1885.

THE ANCHOR LINE s. s. "PERSIA," has ARRIVED from Glasgow and Liverpool, and is discharging in the Prince's Dock.
Consignees are requested to present their Bills of Lading for our countersignature, and to take delivery of their goods without delay.
Unless boats are sent alongside without delay to take delivery of packages exceeding in weight 30 cwts., they will be landed on the quay at the risk and expense of the consignees.
Consignees are hereby expressly notified that all claims for damage must be adjusted by the steamer's Surveyor before the goods are removed from the landing shed. The undersigned decline all responsibilities in respect of goods removed to the unclaimed warehouse. All claims must be presented before the sailing of the steamer, otherwise none will be entertained.
Captain Clark will attend every morning to survey damages, &c.
W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents.
Graham's Buildings, Bombay, 14th March, 1885.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per s. s. CLAN MACGREGOR arrived from Glasgow and Liverpool are hereby requested to present their BILLS of LADING for our countersignature, and to take delivery of their respective goods from the Prince's Dock.
The Steamer's Surveyor, Captain CLARK, will attend every morning to survey damages, &c., and all claims in this respect must be adjusted before the goods are removed from the landing sheds. After removal from the landing sheds the steamer will not be responsible for any damage whatever.
FINLAY, MUIR & Co.,
Bombay, 13th March, 1885. Agents.

NOTICES.
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CAMBRIDGE HOTEL.
PARELL ROAD, BYCULLA.
THE Proprietors of the above Establishment beg to announce that they have just REOPENED the above Hotel, after having it thoroughly repaired.
A promenade CONCERT will take place TO-NIGHT and every night till 11 a.m. at the above Establishment.
FIRST CLASS BILLIARDS TABLES, WINES, BEER, and SPIRITS of the best brand and quality. TERMS VERY MODERATE.
C. SHAPIRE, } Proprietors.
& COHEN, }

NOTICE.
MRS. TAYLOR begs respectfully to intimate to the public that she has RESUMED possession of that old and favourite establishment in Hanpart-row, Fort, known as "TAYLOR'S HOTEL," and she embraces this opportunity to tender her most cordial thanks to those numerous patrons who formerly so kindly accorded her that large measure of support, which she hopes may be continued to her in future.
The Hotel will be conducted by Mrs. Taylor personally, and those honouring her with their patronage may rest assured that it will be her constant care to secure for them all the comforts of a first-class Hotel at moderate charges.
A. TAYLOR,
Proprietress, Taylor's Hotel, Fort.
Bombay, 1884.

THE NEW GREAT EASTERN SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE.—A DIVIDEND at the rate of Rupees Twenty (20) per share for the half year ended 31st December, 1884, is declared at the SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the abovenamed Company held on the 9th instant, will be paid on and after MONDAY, the 16th instant, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., excepting SATURDAY, when it will be paid between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., to the shareholders whose names appear on the Register on the 2nd instant, on production of their Share Certificates.
By order,
MUNCHERJEE NOWROJEE BANAJEE,
Secretary.

FOR SALE, CHEAP ENGLISH-BUILT BAROUCHE, pair of bays and double harness, little used. Rs. 1,300.
Varnished high Dog-cart nearly new. Rs. 450.
A bay Arab horse "Rocket," 14-1, carries a lady, goes in harness. Rs. 650.
Above in Poona, but will be brought down at owners expense.
A single .577 express rifle, Lopera patent, charges 6 drs. With mould reloading tools, 150 cartridge cases, sling cover, &c., Rs. 250.
A double action self-extracting .451 revolver, Rs. 50. Apply A.B., Messrs. Grindlay & Co.

JOHN KIRK, DECEASED.
PURSUANT to Act XXVIII of 1866 of the Legislative Council of India intituled "The Trustees and Mortgagees Powers Act 1866." Notice is hereby given that all persons being creditors of, or otherwise having claims upon, or interested in, the Estate of JOHN KIRK, late of Bombay, a pensioned Conductor of the Ordnance Department (believed to have been a Native of Dublin in Ireland), who died on or about the 8th day of July at Bombay aforesaid, and whose will was on the 17th day of August, 1883, proved in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay by the Rev. HENRY CHARLES SQUIRES, late of Bombay, but at present residing at West Chittington Rectory, Pulborough, in the County of Sussex in England, the sole Executor named and appointed in and by the said will, are hereby required to send in particulars of their respective claims or demands to the undersigned at their office, No. 19, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, on or before the 1st day of October, 1885 ; and notice is also hereby given that after that date the said Executor will proceed to administer the Estate of the said deceased in accordance with the trusts declared by the said will, having regard only to the debts, claims and demands of which notice shall have been received as aforesaid.—Dated Bombay, 7th March, 1885.
CRAWFORD & BUCKLAND,
Solicitors for the Rev. H. C. Squires, sole Executor of the will of the late John Kirk, deceased.

THE INDIAN MANUFACTURING Co., Limited.
ધી ઇનડયન મેનયુફેકચરીંગ કંપની "લીમીટેડ."
NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company will be held on MONDAY, the 16th March, 1885, at 4 p.m., at the registered Office of the Company, No. 12, Hummum Street, Fort, for the purpose of transacting the following business :—
1st. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and annual audited Accounts and Balance Sheet made up to 31st day of December, 1884.
2nd. To declare a Dividend.
3rd. To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
4th. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.
By order of the Board of Directors,
ધનોદર હાકરશી મુલજીની કું૦
i. e., DAMODHER THACKERSEY MOOLJEE & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Bombay, 27th February, 1885.
N. B.—The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 5th to the 16th March, 1885, both days inclusive.

SALES BY AUCTION.
MENESSE AND COMPANY.
AUCTION SALE OF SHARES.
TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 17th inst. at 3 p. m., Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction in the Share Bazar, by order of the mortgagee Mr. Hunsraj Nurrey and on account and risk of the mortgagor—
4 shares in the Dunn Mills, Limited.
A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required when the lots are knocked down.

AUCTION SALE of Perfumery by the celebrated makers, Price and Co., of London.
On THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. MENESSE and Co., will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—
An invoice of fragrant perfumery by the celebrated makers, Price and Co., of London, just arrived, consisting of brown, honey, almond, and glycerine, and transparent soaps, violet and millefleurs powder, limejuice cordial in pints, lemon juice, cod-liver oil, sarsaparilla, marrow, and hair oils, Philicomb, Bay Rhum, &c., &c.

On THURSDAY, the 19th instant, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will hold their usual weekly auction sale at their rooms, of a quantity of grey, colored, and white piece-goods, twist, &c., &c.
5 bales grey shirtings.
10 cases Persian prints.
2 cases cotton colored shawls.
5 cases handkerchiefs.
50 cases preserved fruits.
20 cases German beer in pints.
30 cases sherry wine.
15 cases whiskey.
1 case cocoa.
1 case chocolate.
2 cases gilt edge playing-cards.
10 cases confectionery.
5 cases oil blacking.
1 case fresh hams.
1 bale printing papers.
3 cavalry saddles.
On account of the concerned—
8 cases white mulls.
5 „ white shirtings.
On account and at the risk of Abdoolhoosen Abdoollally—
ex s.s. Pandora.
L J—19—Bombay—1 case post papers.
„ 9333—1 case post papers.
ex s.s. Medusa.
L J—15—1637-44—8 cases blotting paper.
MENESSE & CO.
Bombay, 16th March, 1885.

WELLS' "ROUGH ON CORNS."
Ask for Wells' "Rough on Corns." Quick relief complete, permanent cure. Corns, warts, bunions.
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SALES BY AUCTION.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON AND COMPANY,
No. 4, FORBES AND MEADOW-STREETS.
SALE OF SHARES.
THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 16th instant, at 3 p.m. Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Sale Room, No. 4, Forbes and Medows Street, by order of Goculdas Mahadevji, Esq., and on account and risk of Mr. Prangivundass Doolubdass, the following shares, viz :
25 shares of the New Dhurumsee Poonjabhoy Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, 16th March, 1885.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 3, APOLLO-STREET.
TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Custom House, Fort, the following arms and ammunition—
36 Kunda Snider carbine ammunition.
4 Small tin boxes pistol cartridges.
1 Tin box revolver cartridges.
8 Muskets, 3 Snider carbines.
13 Sword bayonets, 1 can gunpowder.
20 Rockets and Blue lights.
1 Leather Belts pouch.
12 Spears and 2 revolvers, &c., &c.

AUCTION SALE OF PIECE-GOODS.
TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 17th inst, at 3 p.m. Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by public auction at their rooms on account of the concerned.

PKN 569-85—9 Cases Prints 26 yrds by 28 in.					
„ 586-605—11	„	„	„	„	
„ 87-96—2	„	„	„	„	
		p. s s "Cameron"			
B 675 H. 7373—1	Case	150 ps.	} 28½-9 by 18 yds wt	Nansook	
7374—1	„	146 „			
7375—1	„	151 „		No. 445.	
B 671 H 7370—1	„	161 „			
7371—1	„	149 „		„ „ „	No. 446.
7372—1	„	155 „			

AUCTION SALE OF IRON BARS AND SHEETS.
TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 17th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—
238 bars Scotch bar iron stamped "Scotch" ends marked red 2 by 15-16 by 15 to 17ft.
53 bundles soft steel sheets branded best E. B. & Co.'s soft steel of various sizes.
A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

On SATURDAY, the 21st inst. at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at "Colaba Castle," Middle Colaba, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood french-polished plain and elaborately carved household furniture, best electro-plated ware, very rich crockery and glassware, a handsome mahogany grand square pianoforte by John Broadwood and Sons, very rich velvet, Persian, Brussels and Cumbay, carpets, handsome China and Japanese flower vases, rich table ornaments, first rate oleographs and chromo-lithographs in gilt frames, handsome Hinks's patent duplex table and hanging kerosine lamps, lady's and gentleman's saddles, sets of single harness, a collection of choice and rare plants in tubs and pots, &c., the property of G. COTTON, Esq.
Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

On SATURDAY, the 28th in-tant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Hellasia-road, Byculla, next to Messrs. Ladha Bhram and Co., the valuable and handsome blackwood and teak-wood French polished plain and carved household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome China and Japanese flower vases, rich table ornaments, first-rate oleographs and pictures, iron safe on stand &c., the property of C. L. WEBB Esq.
Full particulars will appear hereafter and the property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

On MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Land's End, Malabar Hill, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, first rate pictures and oleographs in table ornaments, handsome China and Japan flower vases. One handsome strong English built open carriage in very good order, &c., &c, the property of C. H. FORBES Esq.
Catalogues will be published and the property on view 4 days before the sale.

On SATURDAY, the 4th April, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by public auction at Victoria Cross Road Byculla, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood french polished plain and carved household furniture, best plated ware rich crockery and glassware, hand-some China and Japanese flower vases, rich table ornaments, firstrate oleographs and picture, and a handsome boahogany cottage piano &c., the property of T. W. BROWNNUT.
Full particulars will appear hereafter and the property will be on view days before the sale.
BENNETT & CO.
Bombay, 16th March, 1885.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
7, MARINE-STREET, BOMBAY.
WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.
THIS DAY, MONDAY, 16th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—
10 bales grey shirtings.
10 „ dhoties
3 cases 602 pieces—Jacconets 23½ in. by 15yds.
3 „ 602 „ „ „
2 cases white drills.
12 „ prints.
10 „ T red printed Jaccone's.
1 case hard and soft felt hats, straw hats, helmets &c.
1 double poled tent.
1 Tongo's patent Governor for 3 horse-power engine.
1 miniature express rifle 360 bore in leather case.
2 leather sewing machines both in good working order
1 crate earthenware.
By order of Sh-purjee Byramjee Row, and on account and at the risk of Merwanjee Burjorjee Mowjee.
1 gold Albert chain.
AT 2 P.M.
1 handsome strong landau.
1 „ „ doubleseated brougham.
1 „ new mail phaeton.
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

AUCTION SALE OF COTTAGE PIANOFORTES.
THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 16th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their rooms on account of the concerned—
2 new mahogany cottage pianofortes.
These are on view.

On WEDNESDAY, the 18th instant, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their rooms, No. 21, Marine-street, Fort, close to their auction rooms the following goods, viz—
Porcelain tea sets, cups and saucers, glassware, electro-plated curry stands, pickle-stands, liquor stands, tea and coffee services, ice pitchers and decanter stands, glass fish bowls, flowerstands with domes, walking sticks, water coolies, hand bags, looking glasses, table hanging wall kerosine oil lamps, water jugs, milkings, carpets, pictures lawn-tennis bats, cheesestands, flowervases, marble pillars and vases, marble figures representing lions, horses, camels, cows, and dogs, alabaster figures, tin washing basins, eau de cologne, figures, stools, balls, soaps, toys, English tin boxes, ice machine, musical boxes, also conversation couches, tables, chairs, iron stands, marble tables, teapoys, sideboards, and a variety of other goods too numerous to mention.
The property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 21st instant, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Byculla, close to Victoria Gardens, the valuable and handsome carved and plain French-polished blackwood and teak-wood household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome light English-built landau with a pair of fast trotting grey Arab horses and a set of plated mounted double harness, rich table ornaments, handsome China flower vases, superior English, Persian, and Cashmere carpets, table and hanging lamps, &c., the property of H. E. MIRZA YOUSEF KHAN, Consul General for Persia at Bombay.
Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

On WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Marine-line, the valuable and handsome french-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, superior pictures, table and hanging lamps, rich table ornaments, handsome China flower vases, and 4 pair of strong and handsome horses and lamps, &c. the property of Col. ROWLANDSON.
Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before sale.

On SATURDAY, the 28th instant, sale commencing at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 19, Marine-lines, the valuable and handsome French-polished carved and plain blackwood and teakwood household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a sweet-toned mahogany square pianoforte by Soundy and Co., a handsome English-built barouche, a pair of handsome grey Arab horses, gentleman and lady's saddles, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese

BOMBAY.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessel arrived on the 13th :—Persia (s), from Liverpool. Yesterday :—Bryn Gwyon (s), Cardiff; and Iran (s), Bhownuggur.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday :—Kashgar (s), for Colombo; Inflexible (s), Dunkirk; River Indus (s), London; James Turpie (s), Genoa; and Orion (s), Calcutta.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE.—The following programme of music will be played by the band of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles at the Esplanade Bandstand this evening, commencing at 6 :—

Overture	Bauer und Dichter..... Suppé.
Valse	The Southern Breeze .... Meissler.
Selection	Tutte in Maschera ..... Padrotti.
Mauurka	A Phantom ..... Kuhner.
Galop	La Faufare ..... Faust.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s. s. River Indus left the dock on Friday; and the s. s. Royal Crown, Hilda, and Persia entered, and the s. s. James Turpie, left, on Saturday.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.—The special general meeting of the Municipal Corporation, which was to have been held on Saturday, was adjourned till this (Monday) afternoon owing to the want of a quorum of members.

ANOTHER HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.—A native contemporary states that Mr. Ranchorlal Chotalal, of Ahmedabad, has offered to place at the disposal of Government a sum of Rs. 25,000 for the establishment in that city of an hospital for women and children.

A DISHONEST SERVANT.—Gulabchund Trikumjee, a servant to a grocer named Dewchund Laljee, residing at Chinchpoogly, was on Saturday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of criminal breach of trust in respect of sugar, valued at 10 annas, and also of theft of Rs. 25, the property of his master. He was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

THEFT.—Koodabux Mahomed was convicted on Saturday by Mr. Cooper on a charge of theft of seven pieces of steel from the Prince's Dock. The accused was noticed loitering about the premises by a sepoy, and picking up the metal from a large heap which was left near the railing of the dock. Having a previous conviction registered against him, he was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

CAUSING DAMAGE TO A RAILWAY CARRIAGE.—Shaik Abbas Bakur was on Saturday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of causing damage to the door of a third-class carriage of the up passenger train of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company on the 13th instant, by opening the door of the carriage in which he was travelling while the train was in motion, and leaving it open, so that another train, coming from the opposite direction, collided with it and broke it. He was fined Rs. 15.

POULTRY THIEVES.—Three mendicant lads named Babajee Gopal, Gutha Amroota, and Dhondoo Munga, aged 16, 10, and 15 years of age respectively, were on Saturday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee, prisoner No. 1 of stealing two fowls belonging to Saroona, a woman residing at Falkland-road, and prisoners Nos. 2 and 3 with dishonestly receiving the fowls. The prisoners pleaded guilty to the charges, and stated that they caught the fowls on the road-side to eat them. Prisoner No. 1 was sentenced to one day's imprisonment, and further to pay a fine of Rs 10. No. 2, who took no active part in the matter, was sentenced to one day's imprisonment, and No. 3 was sentenced to receive ten stripes with a rattan.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—A coroner's inquest was held on Saturday at the J. J. Hospital, on the body of Buddhu Jangee, aged twenty years. Deceased was a travelling porter in the service of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company. At about 5 a. m. on Saturday he arrived with the No. 30 up goods train at Mahim station, and was engaged unloading several packages from the brake-van, with the assistance of other porters, he went on the down line to give the all right signal to the driver, as he could not see it from the up line. When returning to the train, he was knocked down by a light engine coming through from Bombay, and sustained serious injuries to his head and face. He was picked up unconscious and taken to hospital, where he died about noon the same day. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

A DEXTEROUS PICK-POCKET.—At the Fort Police Court on Saturday, before Mr. Cooper, Govind Hurry was charged with picking the pocket of one Bhao Hurry of a purse containing Rs. 2-9. The accused formed one of a large crowd which had gathered on a bridge at Mandvee to look at the fire which broke out on Friday afternoon in the neighbourhood. Being a professional pick-pocket the accused looked out for a chance to practice his game on some one. He dashed twice against complainant, who wore a loose jacket, which had a temptingly capacious pocket. The first time he did so was probably to feel from the outside what it contained; the second time he slipped two fingers into the pocket, and quickly drew from it a purse. Unfortunately for him, the owner of the purse was a policeman in undress, and was up to the dodge. As soon as the accused smartly drew out his hand from the pocket, the policeman seized his hand with the purse in it. Admitting three former convictions, he was sentenced to eighteen months' hard labour in the House of Correction.

ORIENTAL LOAN ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.—The eighth annual report shows that 70 proposals were made for advances, aggregating the sum of Rs. 2,34,370; of these 31, after careful examination by the Board, were granted, amounting to Rs. 81,650, repayable by instalments for periods varying from six months to three years. The total income realized from the past year's working, amounts to Rs. 15,732-5-0, while the expenditure incurred including Rs. 561 written off and interest paid on deposits, amounts Rs. 4,512-15-8. The amount of expenditure, deducted from the amount of income, leaves a balance of Rs. 11,219 5 4 as net gain, out of which there falls to be deducted managing director's commission of Rs. 969-15 for the year, and the directors recommend a dividend of 8 per cent. per annum, on the paid-up capital of the Association, for the year ending 31st December last, which will absorb Rs. 8,000, leaving the sum of Rs. 2,000 to be carried to the reserve fund, Rs. 400 for remuneration of directors, office establishment, &c., Rs. 151-2-1 towards the extinction of preliminary expenses, and Rs. 107-4-3 carried forward as a balance to next year's account. The total interest at 12 per cent received on loans, from 1st January to 31st December, 1884, was Rs. 13,898, and that paid on deposits, Rs. 1,787-1. The commission received on life policies assigned over as collateral security amounts to Rs. 1,013-15 and the fees for preparation of deeds on personal security to Rs. 814.

THE CANTONMENT QUESTION IN POONA.

AN important meeting was held in Poona on Saturday afternoon, which was attended by most of the leading cantonment householders, to consider the advisability of petitioning Government to grant an elective Municipality to that part of Poona at present within cantonment limits, and to protest against the enhancement of taxation and the proposal to impose upon the cantonment of Poona the whole charge of maintenance of the police force. Mr. Hurri Rowjee was called to the chair, after which Mr. Gungaram Bhau moved the first resolution, seconded by Mr. W. Muskett, that, "In the opinion of this meeting, it is highly desirable that a humble memorial to His Excellency the Governor be sent, praying for the reduction of taxes in this cantonment, which are out of all proportion to the requirements of the place; and that it is desirable, in the same memorial, to solicit His Excellency for the grant of an elective franchise in accordance with the policy of the local self-government scheme." Mr. Gungaram Bhau, in his speech, dwelt upon the many instances of injustice on the part of the military authorities, and of their utter inability to understand even the rudimentary principles of the needs of the place they are called upon to govern. He also declaimed strongly against the rule which forces civilian residents of the cantonment to pay for the maintenance of a lock hospital, kept up solely for the benefit of European soldiers. Such a charge, he argued, should be borne by Imperial funds. In seconding the resolution, Mr. Muskett made a few remarks, touching upon the various details of the cantonment scheme and their inapplicability to such a large and important civil community as that within the cantonment of Poona. He then read the memorial which had been drawn up by those interested in the question, which, with certain modifications, was adopted by the meeting, and the following gentlemen were appointed a committee to revise the memorial, obtain signatures to the same, and forward it to the Bombay Government :—Khan Bahadoor Dorabjee Padumjee, Rao Bahadoor R. Luximan, Messrs. Harri Rowjee, Ludha Ebrauim, Dadabhoy Booty, Coopumswmy V. Moodliar, W. Muskett, Gungaram Bhau, Mahomed Sidic, Heerjeebhoy Daunjee, Iyabally Aurodeen, Rajanoo Lingoo, Jas. McCarter, and Jevajee Soratjee. A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, March 13.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·916
Temperature of the Air	79·9
Wet Bulb Thermometer	70·7
Dew Point.....	66·7
Relative humidity of Air.....	63·4
Mean of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded—8)..	3·4
Maximum temperature of air (read at 4 p.m.)..	85·9
Minimum do. do. (read at 10 a.m.)..	73·4
General Direction of Wind*	NNW., NNE, NE, NW. NNW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours*.....	338

* From midnight to midnight.

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THE NERIAD AGRICULTURAL AND CATTLE SHOW.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MARCH 10.

AN agricultural cattle exhibition was opened in Neriad on the 2nd instant, with great éclat, amidst a large gathering of native gentlemen and some European officials. It was held in the vicinity of the railway suburb. A beautiful pavilion was raised for exhibiting the articles, and a nice galleried hall for the gathering on the opening day was erected near it. The place for the exhibits was prepared according to a design by Mr. Behechardas Viharidas Desai, the honorary secretary to the exhibition, and the arrangements were excellent. Every class of exhibit had its own separate gallery. The hall, though hastily erected, had every appearance of a permanent building. There were altogether four entrance gates with nice looking arches, having on them appropriate mottoes in gold letters, such as :—Agriculture, the life of the world; Agriculture, India's greatest interest; Agriculture, the primeval work of man, &c. Both inside and outside the pavilion was decorated with flags, bunting, and evergreens. The gathering hall was also decorated with brocaded flags. The arrangements in the hall were very suitable for the purpose. The band of His Highness the Gaekwar, the patron of the exhibition, was in attendance, and played morning and evening. The opening day was fixed for the 2nd inst. General Watson, the Resident at Baroda, on being invited by the honorary secretary had come to see the exhibition. The municipal commissioners, the mamletdars, and other gentlemen formed themselves into a procession and went to Mr. Spry's bungalow to invite him. As the procession, headed by Mr. Spry, the president, entered the gate of the enclosure, the band played. Among the European gentlemen present were Messrs. Gibbs (Superintendent of Police), R. M. Kennedy (Assistant Collector), Henry Jons, &c. Among the native gentlemen there were present Messrs. Dastur (the Deputy Collector), Mangaldas Viharidas Desai, Rukhabhai Gopalji (the Subordinate Judge), Vagjibhai Samaldas Desai and others.

On the president taking his seat, the honorary secretary, Mr. Behechardas Viharidas, addressed the meeting as follows:—Mr President, Genera l Watson and gentlemen,—It gives me great pleasure to express thanks on behalf of the committee for your presence on this memorable occasion, when the opening of the agricultural and cattle exhibition has added to the fame that Neriad, and even the Kaira district, has gained as a leading agricultural district in Gujarat. I would not, gentlemen, take up your valuable time by attempting to enumerate the various advantages of exhibitions, which, in this era of civilization and progress, are patent to all of us. Some of us here may have personal experience of the good done to nations by exhibitions held in different parts of the world since the inauguration of the Great Exhibition. With your permission, therefore, I shall state briefly, how the idea of holding an exhibition like this in this town originated. This town is situated in the centre of what is popularly known as Charotar, where among the cultivating classes the patidars and kunbis, especially, are first and foremost in improving the system of agriculture. Notwithstanding that the soil is sandy, and hence incapable of yielding the finest crops without great labour and manure, this class, by their industry and skill, have held their own with the cultivators of the surrounding districts. Only a small portion of Charotar is under the Baroda territory, and the rest is under the British rule, in which successive Collectors, as the highest officers in the district, have from time to time taken pains to give effect to measures with a view to better the agricultural prospects of the district. Amongst these may be mentioned Mr. Sheppard, who first came here as Collector some fourteen years ago, and devoted his energy and perseverance to the subject. He is now, as I am aware, Revenue Commissioner of the Northern Division, and is popular in this district as the promoter of the welfare of the cultivators in Charotur, and for his great zeal and pains in inculcating to ignorant minds the value of the solid advantages of the improved system of agriculture. This honourable and respected gentleman first put himself in communication with my deceased father with respect to the device to be set on foot for the introduction of reforms in agriculture in this district. After a due lapse of time with the co-operation of my friend R. S. Runchhodlal Kupurchund, the late sub-judge here, who is present on this occasion, a committee has been established. A handsome sum has been raised by subscription, chiefly through the munificence of some native chiefs and talukdars in Gujarat. A plot of twelve acres of land has been secured from Government which is formed into a model farm, while many experiments have been successfully tried and are being tried with the aid of English implements with which the farm is supplied by R. S. Runchhodlal Kupurchand Desai, under whose care and superintendence this work was carried on, being transferred from this place, Mr. Pranjivan P. Dalal, the late Municipal Secretary, was entrusted with it for a time. Now the work superintending the farm has fallen to the lot of R. S. Harilal Chugganlal Satyawadi, the chairman of the executive committee of this exhibition, under whose able guidance the condition of the farm has been much improved. Since the establishment of the committee a periodical entitled *Kaira Khetiwadi Patra* has been published, and is widely circulated in various districts. To be brief, the work of the committee is successfully carried on and is making good progress; still there is much room for improvements which invite the attention of all who take a warm interest in the matter. Mr. Sheppard, who was the president of the committee, being transferred. Mr. Grant, who succeeded him, has rendered valuable assistance to the committee. Under the superintendence of this gentleman a horse show was successfully held at Dakore, at which, at the request of the Agricultural Committee and of Mr. Nowrojee Pestonjee of Ahmedabad, agricultural implements were produced to be exhibited. This fact suggested to the mind of some of the leading members of the committee the idea that a strictly agricultural show would be successful in this district. Mr. Grant, this year, came to be the fittest place for this purpose, and asked me to undertake the work, which has only been a labour of love to me. Thus the agricultural show of 1882 was held under his auspices at Dakore on 2nd March. As the subscription fund was very limited, and as it was only the first trial of its sort in this district, the exhibition was formed on a tolerably small scale. The exhibition also was attended with those difficulties which generally attend the way of the inauguration of such good works for the benefit of the public. As soon as the preparations were commenced a false rumour got abroad that the exhibition was intended to be the Government's increasing the assessment rates. It was feared that belief in this would prevent cultivators from sending in exhibits, and that thus it would be difficult to obtain the desired success. Fortunately, the mamlutdars of all the talukas tried their utmost to expel this error from the minds of the ignorant people, and succeeded to some extent in making them understand the real and substantial advantages of the exhibition. Many exhibits were sent in, and European as well as native gentlemen, and cultivators assembled to witness the show. Arrangements were made for illuminating the Exhibition hall at night, in order that native ladies who do not appear in public, might also have an opportunity of seeing it. On the last day of the exhibition Mr. Spry, our president, came to take up his appointment as Collector of Kaira, and was much pleased with the arrangements for the exhibition. Mr. Sheppard on hearing of Mr. Spry's appointment as Collector of this district congratulated me upon our getting, as the head of the district, one who took great interest in agriculture; and from my experience of the last two years, I should say that he has realized our hopes. I must not, therefore, let this opportunity pass without expressing our sense of gratefulness to him for his important assistance to, and warm sympathy with, the cause of agriculture. Mr. Spry then suggested to me that a similar exhibition should be opened on a larger scale, and that a horse show should also be held in connection with it. But as Kaira has a very limited number of good mares, and as the people have as yet not understood the advantages of improving the breed of horses, the idea of holding the horse show was given up. Still it is to be hoped that in course of time measures will be adopted to hold a horse show in this district. It was intended to open an exhibition here in the beginning of the last year, but owing to my visit to Calcutta to see the International Exhibition, and also the opening of an exhibition of a similar nature at Gondal by Colonel H. L. Nutt, it was put off till now. Thinking it advisable that this exhibition should be held at the harvest season, this day is fixed for its opening. A prospectus was prepared by me at the suggestion of Mr. Spry, and was put before the Executive Committee, who, with their opinion, submitted it to the president for approval. The president forwarded it to the Director of Agriculture, Mr. Ozanne for his remarks. The changes suggested by him having been made, the prospectus has been put before the public. Allow me, gentlemen, to remark here that although many are still labouring under the same error as the last time as to the intention of Government in holding exhibitions, yet the number of exhibits this time is, as you will presently see, in no way less. To those that have misconceived the object of this exhibition I must say that it is not in any way intended to serve as a guide to the assessors of land revenue of Government. But far from that, it is only, as I have said before, for the private benefit of the agriculturist. I must also remind them that the revenue officers of Government annually test the agricultural produce by getting the harvest of at least one field in each taluka cut under their supervision, and it it is apparent, therefore, that they care but little to turn the exhibition to account in that manner. In conclusion, I beg to express my hearty thanks to the contributors towards the fund from which the expenses in connection with this exhibition are defrayed, and especially to His Highness the Gaekwar of Baroda, H. H. the Nawab Saheb of Cambay, the Local Fund Committees of Kaira, Ahmedabad, Surat, and Broach, the Agricultural Committee of Neriad, and the gentlemen subscribers. Thanks are also due to Messrs. Bhulabhai Mathurbhai Desai and Kuverji Haribhai Desai, honorary assistant secretaries, and also to the chairman and members of the Executive Committee. I have also to acknowledge the hearty assistance rendered me by Messrs. Purshotumdas Laloobhai and Mukundas Umedbhai. I shall not further tax your patience by detaining the opening of the exhibition, since you must be very anxious to be in the big hall there. I therefore request the favour of our president, Mr. Spry, declaring the exhibition open. (Loud cheers.)

Then the president, Mr. Spry, compared the agricultural state of the Kaira district of twenty years back, when he was Assistant Collector here, with the present state of agriculture, and ascribed all the improvements in it to Mr. Sheppard's noble efforts for bettering the condition of agriculture. He regretted his absence, and read the following letter from him addressed, through the president, to Mr. Behechardas, honorary secretary :—"Camp Surat, Feb. 25. Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge the kind invitation of the Neriad Exhibition Committee, received this day. I am very sorry that duty elsewhere will prevent my being present, but I shall think of you next week with much interest. The agriculturists of Neriad deserve success. They have come to the front independently of official pressure and of Government aid, and have founded and maintained an institution of their own for advancing the important cause of agricultural improvement. The example they have thus set is a valuable one, and worthy of every commendation and encouragement. I beg that you will convey to the Committee my best wishes for the success of the exhibition. I shall be glad to be favoured with a copy of the successful essay for the prize offered by me. The subject is one of very great importance." After some further remarks the president declared the exhibition open.

After the exhibition had been declared open by the president, the assembly dispersed, and went to the exhibition hall to see the exhibits therein. The people who were anxiously waiting for the opening of the exhibition rushed in crowds to satisfy their curiosity, the whole pavilion being crowded to suffocation, and it was with great difficulty that the police maintained order. The exhibition was left open for three days continually, during which time people from various places came in to see it. There was a fair number of exhibits of all sorts, and English as well as native implements of husbandry were exhibited. In the cattle show a tolerably large number of cattle were exhibited. The most interesting exhibits were a bunch of plantains having above two hundred plantains in it; a she goat which gave birth to six kids at a birth; a cow with one horn only; a buffalo belonging to Mr. Behechardas having a very big head; some very large wood apples; and a tobacco plant exhibited by Mr. Jons, the tobacco curer here, having five additional leaves growing from the stem of a large leaf. On the second day the exhibits were examined and prizes awarded. Judges were appointed, as usual, by the committee. Among them were some European officials, along with native gentlemen. They all did credit to their appointment. On the third day the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Spry.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on the 10th instant :—

Read letter from the Port Officer, dated 2nd March, submitting tenders received for the right to remove sand from Butcher's Island, west side of Karanja Talooka, Alibag, within the limits of the port, from 1st April, 1885, to 31st March, 1886, and recommending that the highest offer, viz., that of Mr. Rustomjee Cursetjee, of Kalyan, Rs. 2,125, be accepted.

Resolution.—Mr. Rustomjee Cursetjee's offer of Rs. 2,125 may be accepted.

Read memorandum from the Municipal Commissioner, dated 10th February, forwarding copy of letter from the Executive engineer, Municipality, stating that certain particulars, which are specified, are not clearly shown on the plan of the roads between Prince's Dock and Frere-road which the Municipality have been asked to take over. Read memorandum from Engineer, dated 2nd March, submitting a fresh plan in which the particulars required by the Municipal Engineer are shown. The Engineer states that the cost of providing the manholes will be Rs. 2,300, but that he considers this work unnecessary. The cost of raising and fitting covers to the manholes at the summits of the cross drains on the Dock-road and at the intersection of the cross drains with the drain on the east side of the warehouses is estimates at Rs. 928, and he states that this work should be done. Read letter to the Municipal Commissioner, dated 4th March.

Resolution.—The raising and fitting covers to the manholes, estimated to cost Rs. 928, is sanctioned.

Read letter from the Engineer, dated 7th March, stating that when the necessity for renewing the Castle Bigstaff became known, he made inquiries with a view to secure an iron mast instead of a wooden spar, but without success. He states that an iron mast would be preferable, and that one could be built in the Trustees' workshops for about the same cost as the wooden one. Of the kinds of mast and timber topmast amounting to Rs. 3,415, and requests that instructions be given at the earliest possible date, in order that the work may be completed by the time the monsoon sets in.

Resolution.—The work, as estimated to cost Rs. 3,410, is sanctioned.

Read letter from the Port Officer, dated 2nd March, forwarding report by Commander appointed to examine the lightship Colaba and stating that he concurs in their recommendation that the vessel be sold by public auction after the red revolving and white light apparatus, together with the light mast and any articles which can be utilized in the department, have been removed. He states that this arrangement would enable temporary measures to be speedily adopted for the exhibition of a light in the vessel of the Outer Lightship being disabled. Read minutes of members of Harbour and Pilotage Committee.

Resolution.—The Port Officer should be requested to have such apparatus as he may consider it desirable to retain removed from the Colaba, and then to arrange for the sale of the vessel by auction, subject to the confirmation of the Trustees. Three weeks' notice of the auction should be given.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 26th February, submitting an offer made by Mr. Hassam Meya Ahmed to lease for 50 years 300 4-9 square yards land on Mody Bay Port Trust Estate at Rs. 1 per square yard per annum for first ten years, Rs. 1½ per square yard per annum for next ten years, and Rs. 2 per square yard per annum for the remaining thirty years. Read minutes of members of Land Committee.

Resolution.—Should Mr. Eranee take the 7 feet frontage referred to in Resolution No. 162, dated 10th instant, the land applied for by Mr. Hassam Meya Ahmed may be leased to him at the rents proposed. The plan of the building would have to be approved by Trustees' Engineer, and a clause giving the Trustees power to resume the land on 12 months' notice should be inserted in the lease. If Mr. Eranee does not take on the 7 feet frontage on the terms offered by the Trustees, then Mr. Ahmed should be required to add that length to his Frere-road frontage.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 27th February, submitting an offer made by Mr. Cursetjee Bradoke Eranee for the lease for 50 years of 63 7-9 square yards land on Mody Bay Port Trust estate at Rs. 1 per square yard per annum for first ten years, Rs. 1½ per square yard per annum for next ten years, and Rs. 2 per square yard per annum for the remaining thirty years. The Traffic Manager states that the applicant does not intend to build upon the strip, but to keep it free, so as to insure the proper ventilation of his building to the north. Read minutes of members of Land Committee.

Resolution.—The land applied for may be leased t the rents proposed, for a term conterminous with that of the lease proposed to be granted to Mr. Hassam Meya Ahmed of the adjoining plot on the south, on condition that the lease would expire whenever Mr. Hassam Meya Ahmed's lease may expire. Mr. Eranee should have power to build on the site if he desires to do so, in which case he should specify the cost of the structure, the Frere-road elevation of which would be subject to the approval of the Trustees' Engineer. Should Mr. Eranee not build on the site he must deposit Rs. 2,000 with the Trustees in Government paper or Port Trust bonds to cover possible claims for rent. The Trustees should have power to resume the land on giving twelve months' notice, and paying for any building. Mr. Eranee to be allowed one week in which to accept this offer, and if it be not accepted the land to be taken by Mr. Hassam Meya Ahmed, as a condition on which the site applied for by him is granted.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 17th February, submitting two applications, one by Mr. Cumroodin Moola Gulam Hassam and the other by Mr. Pakeerjee Nowrojee Kakana, for lease of the same lot of land on Mody-Bay Port Trust Estate, measuring 285 square yards. The Traffic Manager states that Mr. Cumroodin is at present a monthly tenant of the site, and has built on the land a fairly substantial stable worth about Rs. 1,200, and that he asks for a lease for twenty years at a rent of Re. 1½ per square yard per annum. The Traffic Manager states that Mr. Pakeerjee asks for a lease for 50 years at Re. 1 per square yard per annum for first twenty years and Re. 1½ per square yard per annum for the remaining 30 years, and that he proposes to put up a building to cost Rs. 5,000. Read report by Engineer, dated 26th February, stating that the value of the building now on the ground is about Rs. 1,000, and that he does not consider it substantial enough to last much more than five years. Read minutes of members of Land Committee.

Resolution.—The applicants should be informed that the Trustees are unable to comply with either of their requests, but Mr. C. M. G. Hassam may be allowed to continue as a monthly tenant at the same rate as at present, so long as this may suit the Trustees' arrangements.

The following were amongst the papers laid on the table :—

Letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 3rd March, reporting that some gunny bags took fire on the morning of that day in a godown belonging to Treum Morarjee on Elphinstone Estate, and that about 200 bags were destroyed. He states that the fire was probably due to spontaneous combustion, and that Mr. Watkins, of his department, was present and helped to put out the fire.

Letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 2nd March, reporting that peon Babajee Sumboo, of his department, picked up near the Ryan Market Rs. 700 in three currency notes on 21st ultimo, that the money was sent to the Commissioner of Police, and that the owner on recovering the notes forwarded Rs. 50 as a reward to the peon, which has been handed to him.

Report by Traffic Manager that between 2nd February and 1st March the sum of Rs. 1,449-8 was collected at Mahim and Sion as toll on carts on behalf of the Municipality.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 8th March., 1885.	For week-ending 8th March., 1884.
Vessels piloted into harbour.....	24	29
" out of "	34	18
" transported "	28	12
" attended to	5	1

STATEMENT OF VESSELS USING PRINCE'S DOCK.

	For week ending 6th March., 1885.	For week ending 6th March., 1884.
Vessels entered	13	13
" left	13	14
" remaining in dock.....	18	12

THE SUIT AGAINST SIR MUNGULDAS NATHOOBHOY.

THE suit in which Jugmohundas Munguldas, the youngest son of Sir Munguldas Nathoobhoy, Kt., C.S.I., claims a partition of the ancestral property alleged to be in the hands of his father was further proceeded with on Saturday before Mr. Justice Scott, at the High Court.

The Hon. Mr. Latham, Advocate-General, and Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Macfarlane and Edgelow, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Inverarity, and the Hon. Mr. Telang, instructed by Messrs. Little, Smith, Frere, and Nicholson, represented Sir Munguldas Nathoobhoy.

Mr. Inverarity called witnesses to rebut the evidence as to custom given on behalf of the plaintiff. The evidence was chiefly directed to rebutting statements made by some of the plaintiff's witnesses that in several of the cases they had mentioned the fathers had been compelled against their will by their sons to make a division of property.

Mr. Inverarity then applied for an adjournment of the case, in order to enable him to call some other witnesses from up-country, and to produce further documents disproving statements made by plaintiff's witnesses.

His lordship said he could not allow an adjournment, now that the case had already occupied a number of days. Mr. Inverarity might, however, put in the documents he expected to receive from up-country during the progress of the suit.

Mr. Inverarity then, addressing the court, said that having regard to the evidence given for the plaintiff, the hearing could not well be shortened. It was, no doubt, always difficult to test the truth of specific statements made by witnesses and of instances of partition mentioned by them. In the absence of any previous information in regard to these instances counsel, in their cross-examination, had to depend in a great measure on what had occasionally dropped from the witnesses, or what he believed was likely to have happened. In considering the evidence given on behalf of the plaintiff, Mr. Inverarity asked the court to exercise, as the court always, under such circumstances, did exercise, a considerable amount of discrimination as to the degree of credence to be given to the instances sworn to by them. Because in any case a son got a share of the property from his father, it did not, therefore necessarily follow that the son was entitled to a share in his father's lifetime. There was no such instance mentioned by them as could satisfy the court that any son had obtained a share against his father's will. A little consideration would convince anybody that there were many circumstances which would induce a father to give his son a share, and thus separate from him. A father would naturally be anxious to get rid of his son if there were quarrels among the females, as between the son's wife and his mother, or between the father's second wife and her step-children. In these circumstances, the father would indeed be very willing to put an end to any further disagreeableness and differences by making a division and living separate from his son. A father could not get rid of his son without giving him a portion of the property, because the son was entitled to live in the family house. If a son thus left his father's house, and by obtaining some considerable lump sum as his share, that is, if a father chose to buy his son's absence upon these terms, that surely did not militate against the custom set up by the defence. Instances had been mentioned of a son getting pots and pans to set up house with, and money to start in business, on separating from his father; but that too did not in any way militate against the custom deposed to by defendant's witnesses. The case for the plaintiff was not made a whit stronger even by the mention of cases where a father had given a house for his son and his wife to live in. Another class of cases mentioned by the plaintiff's witnesses was where the son carried on business in partnership with the father, and where he had a right to a share in the property, he having assisted his father in acquiring the property. Some of the cases mentioned by witnesses as those of partnership were cases of partnership pure and simple, the partnership having in some instances descended to them from the grandfather. It would go without saying that these cases, too, did not militate against the custom set up by the defence. Nor even those of the cases where the fathers were stated to have parted with the property unwillingly; because if they did so, it was only for the purpose of buying peace, and avoiding disputes in the family. The vast amount of evidence which the plaintiff had succeded in procuring, by whatever means, was a convincing proof that he had not at all been wanting in funds—that there were persons behind his back who supplied him with means. But in spite of all the evidence he had been able to adduce, the plaintiff had entirely failed to show that he was entitled to a share in his father's lifetime.

The learned counsel went on commenting upon the evidence, and had not concluded his speech when the court rose for the day.

HIGH COURT.—MARCH 16.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BAILEY.)

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Cause.

291-83—Thakurdas and D.—Fazulbhoy Cassumbhoy Gangji vs. Peroj Mahomed and others—Macfarlane and E., and Payne, G. and S.—Part heard.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice PINHEY.)

Undefended New Long Cause.

15-85—E. Wilkin—Ramchunder Rajina vs. Ramchunder Atmaram and others.

For Consent Decree.

(S. C. Court suits.)

87-2783 of 82—Payne G. and S.—Heerjee Ramjee vs Dossa Kirpall—Little S. F. and N.

1000-83—Little S. F. and N.—Dossa Kirpall vs. Heerjee Ramjee—Payne G. and S.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

340-84—Tyabjee and D.—Chandoo Patel bin Meya Patel vs. Framjee Dorabjee Contractor.—Pestonjee K.—Part heard.

326-84—Craigie, L., and O.—Dadabhoy Dossabhoy vs. Pallonjee Pestonjee Gellwala and another—Payne G. and S.

466-84—J. G. Cama—Amubai and others vs. Rustomjee Bezonjee and others—In person.

392-83—Jeejeebhoy B. and O.—Mariabhoy vs. Abdool Razzim Ab ool Ally and others—Payne G. and S., Wadia and G., and in person.

358-84—Narsidas and S.—Narroo Bhugwan and another vs. Nanee—Little S. F. and N.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice SCOTT.)

Suit for hearing and final disposal.

Long Cause.

444-81—Macfarlane and E.—Jugmohundas Mungaldas vs. Sir Mungaldas Nathoobhoy and others—Little, S. F. and N., and Nanu and H.—Part heard.

SMALL CAUSE COURT.—MARCH 13.

(Before Mr. W. E. HART, Chief Judge.)

A HUNT AFTER A CREDITOR.

JOHN WEMYSS vs. WALTER EMEREY.

MR. HURRYSHUNKER, on behalf of the plaintiff, obtained a warrant of arrest from his honour against the person and property of the defendant, in execution of a decree for a sum of Rs. 1,000 and Rs. 254 as costs, passed against the defendant on the 3rd instant by the Subordinate Judge at Allahabad, on the ground that he was about to leave the jurisdiction of the Bombay court. The plaintiff had brought an action in the Allahabad court to recover from the defendant, who was recently employed in the Railway Engineer's Office at Allahabad, Rs. 2,000, being damages for the loss of service sustained by him by reason of the pregnancy and consequent illness and confinement of his daughter, named Henrietta Wemyss, through the misconduct of the defendant.

The plaintiff is an engine-driver in the E. I. Railway Company, and has been married three times, his present wife being Sarah Wemyss, by whom he has had several children, one of whom is married to defendant's brother, who is employed at Howrah. It was owing to this connection of the defendant with the plaintiff, that plaintiff, his wife, and their children had always looked upon and treated the defendant as one of themselves. By his first wife plaintiff had one daughter, named Henrietta, who had always lived with her father and his family, and until lately had rendered them various acts of filial service. The 15th March last was Henrietta's twentieth birthday; and on the evening of that day, while she, her step-mother, and other members of the plaintiff's family were in the lower apartments of the house, in company with some friends, the defendant's father, who was then about to leave India, came in to bid the Wemyss's good-bye. His daughter, Mrs. Benson, came with him; and a few minutes afterwards the defendant, his younger brother, Henry Emerey, and their brother-in-law, Mr. Benson, who is a guard in the railway at Allahabad, also dropped in. The defendant remained seated in the centre room for a few minutes after he came in, and then was seen to leave the room and go outside. Henrietta was seen almost immediately to follow him. They remained outside for about an hour, and during the interval the defendant misconducted himself with her. On the 29th April last the plaintiff having been attacked with small-pox, was ordered into hospital. His wife Sarah went with him to nurse him, and Henrietta was left at home in charge of the house. During their stay in hospital defendant visited Henrietta on four occasions. After the return of the plaintiff from hospital Henrietta complained of feeling unwell, and as she did not improve under medical treatment the plaintiff and his wife thought that a change would do her good. On the 10th July last Mr. Wemyss took Henrietta to Howrah, and left her there with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Emery. On the 18th November Henrietta returned to her home, and the plaintiff and his wife were then startled to see an extraordinary change in her appearance. A month later she was confined of a boy, and on being asked who was the father of the child she at once named the defendant. After the decree was passed the defendant came to Bombay and engaged a passage home by the mail-steamer Hydaspes, in order to avoid the execution of the decree.

Up to Saturday the plaintiff tried to execute the warrant, but was unsuccessful in his attempt. The defendant was nowhere to be found on board the steamer, which had left the previous evening.

THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE NIZAM'S OFFER.

IT is gratifying to see that Nawab Salar Jung's letter conveying the offer of H. H. the Nizam to stand by the British Government, in form as well as in spirit, in the coming struggle, has been so well appreciated by the Home authorities. The offer has a double meaning, and in either sense it is peculiarly welcome at this juncture. Coming so soon after the offers from other Princes it serves to strengthen the relations between the Native States and the Paramount Power.—*Indian Spectator.*

THE RUSSIAN CLAIMS.

It is beginning to be felt that Russian diplomacy has over-reached itself; and considering our firmness it is more likely than otherwise that even at this eleventh hour Russia may withdraw her impossible claim. The story about the Heratis having applied to that Power for a protectorate is a very stale one. Still, we wish Sir Lepel Griffin's advice respecting the key to India had been adopted at the time it was given. Men are apt to be wise after the event. But in this case the wisdom does not come too late. Sir Peter Lumsden has explicit instructions on the spot, and in India as well as in England the air seems to be full of the din of preparations. Something, no doubt, depends upon the attitude of Persia, and a good deal more upon that of Amir Abdur Rahaman and his chieftains. If these latter keep faith and accept the guidance of the only ally who can pull them through, England will not fail to put forth all her resources in the coming struggle. The great struggle may not come on for another decade. But whatever happens, the British Government will not, we trust, be content with patching up another treaty with Russia to be torn up by the latter as soon as she is strong enough to risk the consequences.—*Indian Spectator.*

THE USE OF RECEIPT STAMPS.

A CASE which has a wide general interest came on for hearing the other day in the High Court, Calcutta. It will perhaps be remembered that the Collector of Stamp Rev

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 14.

WHATEVER construction may be placed on the political telegrams received from London to-day, there is no gainsaying the warlike bias of the commercial advices, as displayed in the further decline in securities, and the advance in such articles of produce as Linseed and Wheat, which are largely exported from Russia. In Consols the fall is ⅜, making the quotation 96⅝, while the Indian 3½ per cent. Sterling Loan has declined 1 per cent. to 97½, Rupee Paper ½ per cent. to £74 for Fours and £75¾ for Fours-and-a half. These movements are unmistakeably due to political causes alone, the Money market being unaltered at 3½ per cent. in 3 months and 3¾ per cent. on 6 months' bills. In Wheat the rise is confined to the Liverpool quotations, which are 1d. per cental higher in No. 1 Soft White and 2d. in No. 2, London prices being unaltered. Linseed is quoted 6d. per quarter up in Calcutta quality, 1s. 6d. in Bombay.

The Liverpool Cotton market yesterday closed dull, with sales of only 6,000 bales, spot prices unchanged, but Americans to arrive 1-64d. to 1-16d. lower in the nearer positions and 7-64d. down for July-August. With a small week's receipts before them, however, operators in New York, showed more strength, futures being 12 points up, which has had the effect of making Liverpool firmer to-day, Mid-Uplands on the spot having recovered to 6d. This in turn has reacted on New York, which closed to-day to an advance of 1-16 cent in ready Cotton and 14 points in futures. Whether the advance will be continued is more a question of how the Afghan boundary dispute developes than anything else, as with peace assured, the statistical position is so unquestionably strong that higher prices would be almost a certainty, bad as trade is. Indeed, no stronger proof of the strength of the position could be had than the fact of prices being at their present level in the face of the existing uncertainty; and it is evident that had matters gone more favourably in the Soudan, and the complications with Russia not arisen, Mid Uplands would have been nearer 7d. than 6d. per lb. to-day.

The weekly figures show the total receipts at the American ports, now 10,000 bales under last year, and the ultimate yield therefore may be taken as between 5,600,000 and 5,700,000 bales. The visible supply for all Europe has diminished by 110,000 bales during the week, and is now 433,000 bales less than the same date last year, of which 180,000 bales consists of East Indian.

The American crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons :—

	1885.	1884.	1883.
Week's receipts	43,000	98,000	119,000
,, exports to U. K.	48,000	57,000	54,000
,, ,, Cont.	21,000	32,000	52,000
Total receipts since 1st Sept.	4,462,000	4,472,000	5,140,000
,, Exports to U. K. ,,	1,978,000	1,995,000	2,123,300
,, ,, Cont. ,,	1,219,000	1,171,000	1,367,000
,, Stock in the Ports	736,000	947,000	893,000
Saturday's Receipts	5,000	5,000	13,000

The total visible supply of Cotton for all Europe on the 13th instant affords the following comparisons with the two previous years :—

	1885.	1884.	1883.
Total supply of all kinds	2,810,000	3,243,170	3,340,000
,, ,, Surats	297,000	486,990	541,000

For the United Kingdom only the figures are :—

Stock in Liverpool	993,000	1,046,670	920,000
,, London	36,000	62,000	68,000
American afloat	160,000	214,000	270,000
East Indian ,,	37,000	108,000	96,000
	1,223,000	1,430,670	1,354,000
Price of Mid-Uplands	5 15-16d.	5¾d.	5¾d.
,, Good Fair Dholleras	4¼d.	4¾d.	4¼d.
Difference	1 5-16d.	1d.	1¼d.

The improvement in New York has led to increased firmness here, and there has been a decidedly better inquiry for future delivery to-day at an advance of Rs. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy. The business has not been large, probably not more than 1,500 bales, sellers still showing an indisposition to go short. Broach at Rs. 227 to Rs. 228 for March and Rs. 225 to Rs. 226 for April, and Dholleras on the basis of Rs. 197 for good, April-May being the descriptions in most request.

WHEAT is firm, owing to the stronger advices from home and smaller supplies here. Sellers ask an advance of as. 8 per candy, both for old and new.

SEEDS are unaltered, Linseed ready is quoted at Rs. 59-8 per cwt.

FREIGHTS are very firm, but not quotably altered as regards rates. For Liverpool we quote Wheat 23s. 9d., measurement 26s. 3d., and Continental ports are generally at 27s. 6d. all round.

COALS remain dull and unchanged.

EXCHANGE has been a shade firmer, inasmuch as the banks are now asking 1s. 7 7-32d. for 3 months' Credits. They do not, however, get many bills at the rate, and drawing quotations are unaltered. Closing rates are :—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 6 29-32d. per rupee.
Do Telegraphic	1s. 6 13-16d. ,,
Do three months' sight	1s. 7 1-16d. ,,
Credits ,, ,,	1s. 7 7-32d. ,,
France ,, ,,	2 03 ,,

GOVERNMENT PAPER has exhibited increased depression to-day owing to the decline reported on the London Stock Exchange. Fours opened at Rs. 95 sellers, and at the close could not be quoted better than Rs. 94⅞. Fours-and-a-half are nominal at about Rs. 98.

SHARES remain depressed, with next to nothing doing. Bombay-Burmah Trading have again dropped Rs. 100 in old and Rs. 35 per share in new. Press Companies are unchanged. Spinning Mills show no improvement, on the contrary rates in some cases are again lower. Dhurrumseys are down to Rs. 165, Khatao Mackonjees to Rs. 720, Manockjee Petits to Rs. 1,012½, Great Easterns to Rs. 865, Southern India to Rs. 340.

Reuter reports that the Agra Bank pays a dividend of 2 per cent. for the half-year, carrying £10,000 to reserve.

The report that the liquidator of the Oriental Bank offers a settlement of 17s. in the £, to be paid before the end of September, will probably be regarded as on the whole satisfactory. Well-informed people here anticipated a worse result from the unrealisable character of the bulk of the assets.

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BANKS.

——	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash. Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	725
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	1 do.	830
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	600
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	all	6 do.	118
Hong. and Shang. B. Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ do.	£50
National Bank of India	37,320	£ 250	12½	do.	

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G.I.P Railway Co.'s Consolidated Stock	..	£20	218-3-0	5 p.ct	160
Do. New £20 shares	..	£20	130-14-6	do.	350
Ditto	..	£20	5-7-3	do.	585
Ditto	..	£20	21-13-1	do.	
B. B. & C. I. Ry. Co.	..	£100	1,000	do.	61
Do. New Shares	£1	£18	6-0	do.	5

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How to play Whist, by R. A. Proctor.
Knowledge vol. VI., by R. A. Proctor.
Illustrated Guide to the Great Railways of England.
Literary Success ; a Guide to Practical Journalism, by A. Arthur Reade.
Louis Pasteur : His Life and Labours, translated from the French, by Lady Claud Hamilton.
Memoirs of an ex-Minister, by Earl of Malmesbury.
Midnight Marches through Persia, by Henry Ballantine.
Pottery-Painting, by Fred. Miller.
Selections from the Letters and Correspondence of Sir James Bland Burges, Bart, by James Hutton.
A System of Synthetic Philosophy, by Herbert Spencer ; viz :—
First Principles.
Principles of Biology vols. 2.
Principles of Sociology vol. 1.
Ceremonial Institutions.
Political Institutions.
Sympneumata or Evolutionary Forces now Active in Man, by L. Oliphant.
Three Months in the Soudan, by E. Sartorius.

ROOM B.

Found Out, by Helen Mathers.
Miss Cadagan, by Julian Hawthorne.

ROOM C.

Encyclopœdia Britannica, vol. XVII. Ninth Edition.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED].

BIRTHS.

CRICHTON—March 11, at "Rose Cottage," Yercaud, the wife of J McLean Crichton, of a daughter.
FABRE-TONNERRE—March 2, at Sonthal Parchanas, the wife of C. Fabre-Tonnerre, Officiating District Superintendent of Police, of a daughter.
READE—March 4, at Ranchi, Bengal, the wife of A. J. M. Reade, of a son.
SHORT—March 11, at No. 44, Poonamallee Road, Madras, the wife of James Short, Solicitor, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

LESTER—SALTER—March 12, at "All Souls" Memorial Church, Cawnpore, by the Rev V W Kinsman, Chaplain, Cecil Morris Lester, 2nd Battalion, the Prince of Wales' Own (West Yorkshire) Regiment, second on of Major-General William C Lester (late Bo. S. C.), of Newton Abbot, Devon, to Charlotte Frances, younger of J. Reynolds Salter, of Newton, Abbot, Devon, and Combe Head, Somerset.

DEATHS.

BUTLER—March 8, at Simla, of typhoid fever, Arthur Marlow Lennon, aged 25, years and 4 months.
BLACKIE—March 5, at Darjeeling, Sarah Ann, the wife of Mr. H. G. Blackie, aged 28 years.
GARTRY—March 10, at Ilia abad, Elizabeth Gartry, relict of the late W. Gartry, Inland Customs Department, aged 61 years.
HEYSHAM—March 9, at Calcutta, Henry Heysham, late Registrar, Legislative Department, India, aged 61 years.
LINDSTEDT—March 9, at Konnaghur, of heart disease, Edward Lindstedt, age 55 years.

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THE news to-day respecting the Frontier question brings us no nearer to war, and for that reason it seems to bring a peaceful settlement within range of possibility. Something has been gained by an agreement between Russia and England that no further advance shall be made on either side. It may be said—it is pretty certain, indeed, to be said—that such an agreement with such a Power as Russia is of little use. But until it has been broken we cannot well avoid assuming that it will be kept. The situation all the same is not free from obscurity and apparent inconsistency. How stand the instructions to Sir Peter Lumsden to organize the defence of Afghanistan now that by arrangement between the two Governments neither he nor the Russian commander can advance? And how can a commander organize a defence so long as he has to remain within his present lines? Are these earlier instructions entirely suspended by the more recent arrangement? The question is one of no small interest, and without some answer to it the present situation cannot accurately be estimated. There is no obvious reason, however, why our position should in any way suffer through the compact to which Mr. Gladstone referred on Friday night. It would, for instance, be an advantage to us, if there is to be war, that it should be deferred until the Rawal Pindi durbar has given us an opportunity of direct intercourse with the Ameer. We ask for no respite, but it is not Russia alone to whom a little delay would be serviceable, and if the respite should lead to peace instead of to war so much the better. None of us are likely to be led astray by the fair words of the *Journal de St. Petersburg*, organ of M. Giers though it be. But when it says that it is in the interests of both countries to arrive at a practical final settlement of the questions at issue, and that the negotiations between the two Governments are based upon that view, we may recognize that the voice of sense and truth can be raised in St. Petersburg, however small the influence it may exert there. If Russia would translate these words into facts—and particularly that word "final," which has never yet been adopted by the projectors of her Eastern boundaries—we might come to an understanding with her. The great difficulty, the one prevailing cause of distrust, is that she will give no place to the word "finality" in her lexicon. If she would adopt it now, applying it to an arrangement justifiable on grounds of policy, of common-sense, and of practicability, we should hear little more of a war which it is as much her interest to avoid as ours. If her offers fall short of that, we shall hear little more of a peace which we have less reason to preserve than she has.

THE feat of the French torpedo boats which destroyed a Chinese frigate and corvette at Stipso on the 13th February, will doubtless attract the attention of naval and military men everywhere. It is a new proof of what has been for some time the calculation of the German, Austrian, and Russian Governments, that the torpedo is the most formidable weapon now available for maritime warfare, and that the future struggle for naval supremacy will be decided by this murderous agency rather than by hundred-ton guns or the thickness of the steel plating of ships. The three Powers just named have deliberately resolved to make the torpedo the chief factor of their respective navies. The Germans, as might be expected, are the most comprehensive and methodical in giving effect to the theory on which they have resolved to stake the future of their marine. They boast that they have possession of the most murderous torpedo yet invented. The secret was purchased from an Austrian officer for some ten thousand pounds, and the experts in the service of the Ministry of Marine have been employed in improving upon it. It is boasted that in a very short time Germany will be able to withstand the navies of all the rest of Europe. The result of the experiment which has just been made in the China seas will not shake the confidence which the Germans place in the tremendous power of the new weapon. The attack upon Foochow by the French torpedo boats succeeded in destroying a Chinese transport and a gunboat, but that exploit was not so striking as the more recent one by which the Chinese squadron was put to flight and the only two vessels which could not escape by superior steam power were followed up and destroyed in ten minutes. Yet the torpedo boats sent out by the French to the Chinese Seas are of a very inferior class. Their speed is inconsiderable, and to strike the enemy's ship they are obliged to go in close, and place the torpedo in contact with the hull from the end of the boom. The Triomphante is possessed of a Whitehead apparatus, which can send a torpedo a distance of some hundreds of yards, but owing to her draught of water she has not been able to get near enough to an enemy to employ her torpedo armament.

The French have in the Mediterranean some torpedo boats of a considerable size which can hit a moving object at from eight hundred to a thousand yards. The exploits of a couple of these boats appear to have decided Germany, Austria, and Russia to place their dependence for the future almost exclusively on torpedoes. The most striking experiment which they successfully carried out was an attack delivered on a moonlight night, upon a squadron which was expecting to be attacked, and ten electric lights were turned on to prevent a surprise. One of the boats got within striking distance of the Admiral's ship before she was signalled. With vessels of this class the unlucky Chinese squadron would have probably been all sunk in less than the ten minutes required to destroy the two boats which sought refuge under the guns of the forts on shore. It is to be noted that the fire of the forts in question, supplemented by the Gattlings of the two doomed vessels, was quite ineffectual in deterring the torpedo boats from doing their work. It is curious that the two leading maritime Powers appear to have experienced a secret dread of the new weapon, and although they have not altogether ignored it, what they have done to avail themselves of it is but trifling compared to the action taken with so much promptitude by the weaker maritime Powers. They evidently felt that their ironclad fleets, in which they have sunk untold millions, would if torpedoes were to become the recognised missiles of war, be as helpless as the knights in mail found themselves, when villanous saltpetre put it in the power of any who could level a tube to blow a hole through his breast-plate. A torpedo can blow a bale seventy feet in diameter in the bottom of an ironclad. The ingenious network which has been inventey to-ward off torpedoes, would be of no practical use, for if the threatened ship endeavoured to steam out of the way, the net work would impede her progress and foul her screw. If she remained motionless the first torpedo would destroy the network; the second would sink her. The Russians were greatly impressed by the result of the Baltic manœuvres last August. The fleet was divided, the squadrons sections being placed sixty miles apart, and ordered to manœuvre as in war. Almost at the outset the Admiral's ship was struck by a torpedo, three of the enemy's officers, disguised as fishermen, having put the apparatus in a fishing boat. The umpires decided that she was sunk. One or two other vessels were likewise rendered helpless by torpedoes. The Italians, like the other feebler naval powers, have also turned their attention to the new arm, though they had sunk more money than they could spare in ironclads, and guns of a colossal size. There is no doubt that Great Britain will find it necessary to reconsider the question of adding to the number of her ironclads, which cost more than half a million each, but can be sunk by one or two torpedo boats costing from ten thousand to twenty thousand pounds. It takes some six hundred men to man and ironclad, and they are practically at the mercy of twelve men in a torpedo boat. The continental military authorities are of opinion that the days are gone by when ships can attack properly defended forts. They can only destroy open towns and even these may be defended by small swift-sailing torpedo boats lurking in the creeks. Now that public opinion in England is demanding that the navy should be strengthened, it would be prudent to take a survey of the situation, and see whether five hundred torpedo boats would not be more useful and economical than five or six ironclads. The day of small things seems to be approaching so far as naval armaments are concerned. But it need not on that account be less glorious than any in our past history.

The sea-fight of the future will probably be the encounter of vast flotillas, composed of torpedo boats and small gun-boats carrying machine guns and light breach-loading cannon. The Germans have made up their minds that the hundred-ton gun is a mistake. It throws a shot which is as irresistible as an earthquake if it strikes. But if there be a miss, it is impossible to fire off another for a considerable interval, during which a light gun of moderate calibre would have time to aim several shells at its muzzle, which is a vital point. Two or three light-guns of comparatively trifling cost would be more than a match for a hundred-and-ten-ton gun, for they could not only be loaded and fired rapidly, but could be aimed with ease and certainty. The French seem to count upon machine guns, throwing shells of about two pounds weight, to silence the fire of big guns. But they believe nevertheless in big guns, as the Italians and the English do. At Alexandria it was not the fire of the ironclads, but that of the Nordenfeldts placed in the crosstrees of the Condor, which really silenced the Egyptian forts. If the light guns, as the Germans think, can silence monster guns, and the torpedo render a couple of feet of steel armour useless, size would cease to be a recommendation, and safety and efficiency would be sought in the opposite direction. As Tom Thumb was great because he was so small, to an extent that suggested that he had been greater were he none at all, so the war craft of the future will be the more dangerous and the less vulnerable, in exact proportion to the extent to which ingenuity can make them approach, in visibility. It is next to impossible to descry a small narrow object rushing through the water at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour, and if a quick eye should espy her it would be hopeless to get her range and lay a gun upon her, before she had changed the position as to render the chance of hitting her very small indeed. It will be a consolation to sailors to know that some of the great naval battles of history were fought and won by flotillas or what might be considered such when opposed to the waterborne castles that succumbed to their rapid and skilful blows. The Egyptian galleys which carried Cleopatra from Actium could have carried the light galleys of the unsentimental Octavius on their decks, and Drake's light craft, which helped the wind and the waves to disperse the Armada, were cockle-shells compared to the imposing Spanish ships. If the ironclad fleet be superseded by a great flotilla, the change must operate to the advantage of the Power which disposes of most of the materials, and the skill requisite for producing boats of the kind by the thousand, or in any number that might be deemed necessary to blow all other flotillas out of the water.

THE arrest of Zebehr Pasha is an ugly incident, the uglier perhaps because he is not the only man of rank in Egypt whose loyalty has of late been under suspicion. The policy of General Gordon's strong plea for his appointment as Governor at Khartoum will be questioned more than ever now that he has again become a suspect, though we fancy that no one who knows him will wonder at the particular method which he seems to have chosen for giving expression to his disappointment. "Set a Zebehr to catch a Mahdi" was Gordon's plan, and if Zebehr was deprived of the opportunity of catching, or at any rate of counter-working, the Mahdi, it is not surprising, knowing his antecedents, that he has tendered him his hand. Sir Evelyn Baring ought to be well informed as to the disposition of public opinion in Lower Egypt. There is no subject of more pressing importance, in that part of the world at any rate—not even the financial problem which still presses for solution. He ought to be able to say whether Zebehr stands alone, or whether there are others ready to follow his example if the opportunity arise. He ought also to have arrived at some judgment as to the wisdom of keeping an army which might be needed some day in Lower Egypt so far away from its frontier. Perhaps, knowing more than most of us of the state of public feeling in Egypt, he is even less impressed with its wisdom.

A RESOLUTION of the Government of Bombay which we publish to-day directs that the several local Governments should be informed that it has been decided by the guarantors that the Bombay International Exhibition should be opened in November, 1887, instead of in December, 1886, as originally intended. The Government have appointed General Merriman, Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department, to be chairman of the Executive Committee. The choice is a good one, and will be generally approved; but it was not that which was expected. Mr. Ollivant, the Municipal Commissioner, was the man whom the guarantors, as a body, hoped to see chairman of the Committee, he being well known to most of the guarantors individually owing to his having taken an energetic part in the preliminary organisation of the movement. But Mr. Ollivant's time is so taken up by the duties of the Municipal Commissionership, which at present include the supervision of several works of great magnitude which will be of lasting value to the city, that he could not give his attention to matters outside the scope of his municipal work. It was difficult to relieve him of any of his more pressing duties in order to give time to enable him to superintend the organisation of the Exhibition. The Government therefore decided to appoint General Merriman, who returns to military duty on the 1st April. His military pay will doubtless have to be supplemented by the Executive Committee. Being an Engineer officer long employed in the Public Works Department, General Merriman's experience will be of great use in deciding upon matters connected with the buildings for housing the Exhibition. He is well known to the Bombay public, and is a popular, energetic, and able man of business. His first duty will be to prepare a prospectus and to get into communication, through the Government, with foreign Governments. The site has yet to be finally decided upon, and the buildings to be erected have to be planned. Whether these buildings can best be carried out departmentally has also to be decided. These things considered, the Chairman of the Executive Committee will probably proceed to London, where he will organise a London Committee of which Sir James Fergusson will probably be the Chairman. He will then, on his return, probably visit Antwerp, Paris, Vienna, and other important centres, arranging personally with the functionaries who deal with Exhibition matters. This mission will probably occupy some six months, and the General may be expected in Bombay early next year to push on the work here. The four members appointed by Government to represent their interest on the Executive Committee are the Municipal Commissioner, Mr. Ollivant, the Collector of Bombay, Mr. J. H. Grant, Major Portman, and Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban.

WE hear that the Government of India has not yet received a definite reply from the Ameer Abdul Rahman as to the date on which His Highness will arrive at Rawal Pindi to meet the Viceroy. Consequently the arrangements with regard to the movement of His Excellency are not completed. According to present intention, the Viceregal party will finally leave Calcutta on the 23rd instant, and break the journey at Allahabad.

FRENCH POLITICS AND PARIS TOPICS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, FEB. 21.

THE Parisians, like all other congregations of men and women, I suppose, may be divided into two classes, those that think and the majority that never did, never do, and never will think. Take a representative of both these classes—of the non-thinking class, the elegant *boulevardier*, whose life is laid in what he chooses to fancy are pleasant lines, such an one, for instance, as is typified if, alas! not satirized, in the new opera-bouffe, *La Vie Mondaine*, at the Nouveautés Theatre, frequenter of cafés, to wit, and of the race courses, such an one as sought notoriety last year by donning for evening dress, instead of lugubrious black, cardinal red or cerulean blue, seeking it this year by ties of the same *voyant* hues—a member in fact of that frivolous clique which rejoices in the name of *Tout-Paris*; and of the other class one also, whom you will beware to seek in the cafés or in the newspaper offices, or, I am sorry to say, in the drawing-rooms of my gentlemen of the Ministries. You might look for him with success in Victor Hugo's *salon* away in a corner, or haply at the office of *La Nouvelle Revue*, and with discrimination you might find him in the Chamber of Deputies, gloomy, doubtless, and pensive. Well, when you have found the one and the other, take them aside and ask them separately what things have occupied them this week, what things have marked their lives these last days. Let us hear the serious man first. The eyes of France, according to him, have, as indeed have those of all the world, been turned on Lower Egypt. Catastrophe follows catastrophe, and ignominious defeat is added to ignominious defeat. The cowardice of the Government in delaying action so long that Gordon fell a victim to the treachery of his supposed friends has only been equalled, if not surpassed, by the cowardice of the retreat of General Buller from Gubat and the abandonment of the proposed occupation of Metammeh. It is useless to point out to our friend that in the first place it is absurd to lay the responsibility of Gordon's death on the Government, that the treachery which sacrificed him might have been exercised as well months ago as months hence, that according to the last message we received from the gallant General himself "Khartoum was all right, and could hold out for years," and that it is therefore evident from this that the delay in sending out the relief expedition had in no wise jeopardized his safety, since when the expedition arrived he considered his position safe and assured for years to come. Equally useless is it to insist that General Buller's movement backwards is the only one left open to him, that Khartoum being in the hands of the enemy the occupation of Metammeh, now no longer connected with the future line of military operations, would be as unnecessary as if German troops marching from Strasbourg to Paris were to go out of their way to leave a garrison of occupation at Cherbourg or Havre. It would be indeed throwing words away to endeavour to persuade him even to take these things into consideration. Mr. Gladstone left Gordon to die, General Buller has left the British flag trodden down in the mud," will be his invariable answer. He will perhaps add, if this morning's *Matin* has come into his hands, "You have no prestige left but that which is derived from your successes of old. The English Ministry asks nothing better than to capitulate, but with the tutward signs of military honour, as it did, now three years ago, in the Transvaal, and as it will do in the future each time that any opposition is offered to it in any part of the globe whatsoever. We shall soon have an example of this, the moment when the Russians take possession of Kabul and, what concerns us more, when the future Conference discusses the questions of Egyptian finance and the neutralization of the Suez Canal. In this age, which has seen the accomplishment of so much progress in the art of war, the English are only feared by those nations who have never had anything to do with them. Your only chance of salvation from practical annihilation." He will add, "will be to put away at once the evil Government that rules you. Doing this you will still have a chance of occupying if not a prominent, at least not an entirely obscure position as a political Power—say, on a level with Spain, Belgium, or the Netherlands. Ah, if you had Beaconsfield now, that would be different." Ask not for argument or reason; logic is shelved here, prejudice has taken its place. You see a warm glow flood his face, his eyes beam, he twists his moustache into a regimental twist, his breast expands, and the movements given to his cane make you fancy that he holds in his hand a broad-sword. "Waterloo is erased from our history" he cries, "Crecy and Poictiers were dreams of our historians—Agincourt was but a brawl. Look at us. Compare the French achievements in the East with yours in Egypt. Whose star, think you, shines brightest now? While shame and defeat are making the union jack the laughing-stock of Europe, our glorious tricolor is in the van of victory. No shuffling retreats, no ignominious negotiations have disgraced our army. Put Langson into one scale and Khartoum into the other. Langson! The Wagram of the East. What! have you not read General Briere de Lisle's despatch that you smile thus? Do you not know that on the morning of the 14th of February—a date which shall hereafter make history forget that other date, the 4th of September—our little force carried by storm the Gibraltar of Tongking, and utterly annihilated the garrison, losing in this heroic feat but nineteen of our men."

You listen to this and similar things for some time, give him an hour and a half at least to sing the praises of Briére de Lisle, Courbet, and Négrier, and then you ask him, while admitting the glory of the victory of Langson, to what good and profitable end it will contribute. You may have heard of M. Maurice d'Hérisson's proposal to the Government to let him go out to China as plenipotentiary minister and French envoy extraordinary to conduct negotiations with the Chinese Government towards the conclusion of peace. You know that perhaps of all men in France M. d'Hérisson knows most about China, the Chinese, their temperament and character, political and individual, and you quote some recent remarks of his to support your idea that the French will never do any good to themselves or to any one else in China, for the reason that they do not in the least know, or are too careless to learn, how to treat the Chinese, who will in consequence never look on them otherwise than as enemies to be hated. "The Chinese are full of their traditions," you say, quoting M. d'Hérisson. "They like these traditions and their religion to be respected. I do not mean to say that any of the French diplomats who have negotiated with the Chinese purposely intended to offend them, but not one of them knew or understood their history, their customs, their line of thought, their *manias* if I may thus express myself. These diplomats knew nothing whatever about China. They displayed an ignorance which was most displeasing to the mandarins. They shocked the Chinese negotiators by brutal attitude and a no less brutal language. And this is the reason why China has never come to a sincere understanding with us. Her representatives hate us while swearing us eternal friendship. It is not enough to sign friendly treaties on pieces of parchment. There must also be a friendly feeling in the hearts of those who sign. Now, we have never done anything whatsoever to win the confidence and the friendship of the Chinese. In our negotiations with them we have always been unskilful enough as to attempt to bully them. (*En négociant avec eux, nous avons toujours eu le tort de mettre nos bottes à éperons sur le tapis vert.*) It will be necessary to efface the impression caused by all these brutalities, now that our heroic army and our brave squadron have once more taught China what a very redoubtable enemy France is." I say you might quote these remarks and endeavour to point out in addition that the recent manœuvres of the heroic army and of the brave squadron will not have much contributed to the effacement of the bad impression which, according to the man in France best acquainted with Chinese affairs, exists in Chinese minds against the French, that most probably the hatred existing in the past will be more bitter in the future, and that as it is obviously neither the intention of France as it would be obviously in the present state of things an impossibility to entirely reduce to submission the whole mighty Chinese Empire, and thus to make their hatred of no account, this hatred growing stronger every day will make of the Chinese such troublesome and dangerous neighbours that the occupation of Tongking, for which all these things are being done, will be so dangerous and so troublesome that any profit derived from the new colony by France will be as nothing to the loss this occupation and the cost of the defensive measures which this occupation will necessitate must entail. "What," he will cry, "no profit?" Whereupon he will proceed to tell you how one M. Paul Brunat, who was sent out to Tongking by the Lyons Chamber of Commerce, has just handed in the report of the results of his commercial mission; he will tell you of the glowing terms in which this report is written, how full of hopes M. Paul Brunat is of the great future of the new colony. "Why, do you know, my dear sir, that M. Brunat estimates that in a very few years, when the Chinese have been ousted from the monopolies they have held till now, the exports and imports of Tongking will be worth at a low estimation some three hundred millions of francs. Do you know that, according to him, all that is wanted to turn Tongking immediately into a Tom Tiddler's ground where in a few years France will be able to pick up the five thousand million francs that went over the frontier in' 71, is to send out a hundred or so of capable officials to administrate and turn the Tongkinese Pactolus into the French treasury? Do you know that labour abounds there, that the colony needs no immigration, no more inhabitants, that the pear is, as it were, ripe and only needs to be plucked?"

Finding it difficult to reason with him on matters connected with the foreign policies of your nation and his, perhaps more than usually difficult because it pleases him to institute comparisons between them and place them in rivalry one with another, when neither comparison nor suggestion of emulation is possible, you will turn to home affairs, and after he has, as he surely will, treated you *en passant* to all kinds of evil forebodings anent India, the revolt of Islam or of the Mahomedans, the Russians marching from the North, joined at Kabul by the Afghans, whose hearts are full of anger against us, to help the insurgents, and the rest of the idle gossip which comes as serious and grave from the mouths of the many here, he will tell you—with long arguments *pro* and *con* protection, as shall make you fancy yourself back in England thirty-four years ago, before the shilling duty took the place of the old corn laws, or thirteen years ago, when the shilling duty also went by the board, surrounded by those dreadful bores that are the outcome of every political as well as of every social question of importance—that the Government have thrown out the Bill imposing a fresh duty on imported cereals, unwilling to &c., &c., and, though such a measure will certainly give a fresh impetus to smuggling practitioners, have decided to recoup themselves by levying higher duties on alcohol.

THE AFFAIRS IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

GWADUR, MARCH 7.

THE difference between the Rundhs and the subjects of His Highness Sayyed Toorkey has become so wide that friendly counsels have failed to effect a reconciliation. It has been found to be quite useless to waste words on a savage tribe who are led more by instinct than by reason, and consequently a small force has been brought here from Sind.

The force consists of a company of the 30th N.I., one of the 3rd Belooch Regiment, and another of the Sind Horse, under the command of Colonel Reynolds, who arrived at Gwadur on the 20th February by the British India steamer Purulia. Colonel Miles, the Political Agent at Muscat, and the Vazir of the Sultan, have also come by the Ranger. A messenger was despatched to Mun, the principal village of the Rundhs, summoning the chief residents to Gwadur. It was proposed that if the Rundhs refused to answer the summons the little army should march into the interior of the country and make a military demonstration. This step has, however, been found unnecessary, for some of the Rundhs have arrived, and the remainder are expected to follow directly. A meeting of the Rundhs and of the subjects of the Sultan of Muscat was held in the presence of Colonel Miles, when the claims and grievances of both parties were discussed. The former have not yet come to an understanding, and therefore eight days have been allowed them in which to consider the matter. The latter have shown their willingness to come to terms, provided their grievances are redressed.

I have just heard from a reliable source that the Governor of Bampore, in the dominion of the Shah of Heeran, has sent a notice by order of His Highness the Shah to all the Rajahs within the territory of Mekran, summoning them to Bampore. Political motives seem to underlie the invitation. Probably the coming storm on the Afghan frontier and the friendly attitude of Persia towards the Russians may account for calling together the petty chiefs of Mekran at this critical time.

The Walli of Gwadur, the representative of His Highness Sayyad Toorkey, died here on the 20th of last month. This is the first event of the kind, for there is no record of a representative of the Sultan having died at this place. His youngest son has succeeded him, and the choice is spoken of as both fitting and popular.

BOMBAY INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.

THE following Resolution has been issued by the Bombay Government :—

No. 931.—GENERAL DEPARTMENT.
BOMBAY CASTLE, 13th March, 1885.

Letter from the President of Guarantors, Bombay International Exhibition, dated 3rd March 1885 :—

"I have the honour to inform you that a meeting of the subscribers to the Guarantee Fund of the Bombay International Exhibition was held yesterday in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, at which the following resolutions were passed :—

I.—Proposed by the Honourable J. B. Peile, C.S.I., seconded by Sir Jamshedji Jijibhai, Bart., C.S.I., and carried unanimously—

'That the Bombay International Exhibition be opened in November 1887 instead of December 1886, as previously resolved.'

II.—Proposed by Mr. Grattan Geary, seconded by Mr. Varjivandas Madhavdas, and carried unanimously—

'That the following gentlemen be appointed to represent the guarantors on the Exhibition Executive Committee, with power to elect successors to those of their number who may retire during the existence of the Committee; and with power to add to their number any special cases that may arise of particular men who can assist in the work of the Exhibition :—

The Honourable Mr. F. Forbes Adam, Mr. V. Atmaram, Mr. T. Forrest, Mr. Nanabhai B. Jijibhai, Dr. MacDonald, Mr. Sorabji Framji Patel, Mr. J. B. Parker, Mr. R. M. Sayani, Mr. Kamrud Suleman, Mr. Rienzi Walton, Mr. J. P. Watson, and Mr. Damodhar Tapidas Varzdas.

III.—Proposed by Mr. George Cotton, seconded by Sir Frank Souter, Kt., C. S. I., and carried unanimously—

'That Government be asked to nominate their representatives on the Executive Committee and appoint a Chairman.'

IV.—Proposed by the Honourable Mr. Telang, C.I.E., seconded by Mr. W. M. Macaulay, and carried unanimously—

'That the thanks of the guarantors are due to His Excellency Sir James Fergusson for presiding at this meeting, and for the interest he has taken in the Exhibition movement from its beginning.'

"I have also the honour forward herewith a printed copy of the proceedings of the meeting; and respectfully to request that Government will, with reference to the third resolution, complete the Execut

TELEGRAMS.

SUSPECTED PLOTTINGS IN EGYPT.

ARREST OF ZEBEHR PASHA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CAIRO, SUNDAY.

The arrest of Zebehr Pasha, whom General Gordon wished to be made Governor of the Soudan, is the result of strong suspicions which the British authorities here have entertained for some time past of his plotting with the Mahdi for a rising in Lower Egypt.

The fact that he has been taken on board a British ironclad at Alexandria, instead of being left in the care of the Egyptian authorities, is interpreted to mean that Zebehr is not the only person suspected.

The incident has caused a good deal of excitement.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND RUSSIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, MARCH 14.

The *Journal de St. Petersburg* announces in its to-day's issue that the negotiations between the British and Russian Governments are proceeding with the first desire, and in the conviction that it is in the interests of both countries, to arrive at a practical final settlement of the questions at issue.

THE AFGHAN BOUNDARY QUESTION.*

LONDON, MARCH 13.

Mr. Gladstone, replying to a question in the Commons this evening concerning the advance of the Russians in Afghanistan, said Russian troops were on debatable grounds. It had been agreed between England and Russia that no further advance should be made on either side. The question relating to the Russo-Afghan frontier was under treatment by diplomatic communications between the two Governments, but any expression of opinion regarding the mode of solving the question would be premature.

THE QUETTA RAILWAY.

Mr. Cross, in reply to a question in the House of Commons last evening, said the whole line of the Quetta Railway would probably be opened in 1887. The Government, Mr. Cross said, had no intention at present of extending the line beyond Shebo (Sibi ?).

* Delayed owing to mutilation.

BRITISH RELATIONS WITH KING THEEBAW.

Mr. Cross, in reply to a question in the House of Commons last evening, said that the Earl of Kimberley was in communication with the Viceroy concerning the renewal of diplomatic relations with King Treebaw, but that it was inexpedient at present to make any further statement on the subject.

THE PROPOSED ROYAL VISIT TO IRELAND.

The Home Rule members held a meeting yesterday, at which they adopted a resolution condemning the proposed visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to Ireland next month as being inopportune. Whilst deprecating all discourtesy to the Royal visitors, they recommended the people to hold aloof from the reception.

THE LATE ORIENTAL BANK.

The liquidator of the Oriental Bank offers creditors a settlement of seventeen shillings in the pound, to be paid before the end of September.

THE WAR IN TONGKING.

HAIPHONG, MARCH 13.

The Chinese troops have evacuated That-ke.

EXPULSION OF FENIAN LEADERS FROM FRANCE.

PARIS, MARCH 13.

James Stephens, the ex-Fenian head-centre, and three other Fenian leaders have been expelled from France.

THE GRANT TO GENERAL GORDON'S FAMILY.

LONDON, MARCH 15.

The House of Commons last evening agreed without discussion to the motion for a grant of £20,000 to the family of General Gordon.

A NATIONAL MEMORIAL TO GENERAL GORDON.

The committee for deciding upon a national memorial to the late General Gordon have decided upon erecting a hospital at Port Said.

ZEBEHR PASHA ARRESTED.

CAIRO, MARCH 14.

Zebehr Pasha, who is strongly suspected of being in communication with the Mahdi, has been arrested and conveyed on board H. M. S. Iris.

MADRAS VOLUNTEERS OFFER TO DO GARRISON DUTY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, MARCH 14.

The Madras Artillery Volunteers have offered to join the garrison of Fort St. George if the Artillery now stationed here are required for active service. The offer has been acknowledged by the Governor, who has forwarded it to the Commander-in-Chief.

The Volunteer movement is more popular here now than before, and besides a fair supply of recruits several new officers have recently joined. The residents are subscribing liberally for this year's shooting prizes.

INCREASING THE PUNJAB FRONTIER FORCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, MARCH 14.

Considerable augmentations have been sanctioned in the Punjab Frontier Force. Each of the four mountain batteries will be raised from four to six guns, as in the Afghan War. An addition of two hundred men will be made to the 5th Goorkhas.

THE RAWAL PINDI CAMP.

Saturday, the 28th instant, has been fixed for the great day at Pindi. The troops will march past on the Khana Plain. Gas will be provided for the Viceroy and his Commander-in-Chief.

Major E. C. Burton, of the 1st Bengal Cavalry and Brigade Major at Mooltan, is appointed Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General to Sir Hugh Gough at Pindi.

THE LAHORE CHIEF COURT.

It has not yet been settled who acts for Mr. Justice Burney, of the Lahore Chief Court, who has just gone home.

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL AT HYDERABAD.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, MARCH 14.

Lord Randolph Churchill returned from camp last night, and this morning, accompanied by the Resident, he witnessed a review on the Secunderabad parade-ground of the Subsidiary Force and the Hyderabad Contingent.

This evening he will be entertained at dinner at Lingampali gardens by Khorshed Jah. To-morrow the Minister entertains him, and the Nizam's State dinner follows on Monday.

I hear that only one tiger was bagged, and that it fell to the Nizam's rifle. His Highness and the Minister returned this morning.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 14.

Mr. T. Holderness, Under-Secretary to the Government of India in the Revenue and Agricultural Department, has been transferred to the North Western Provinces.

The Governor-General is pleased to recognize the appointment of Mr. H. Banse as Consul for Sweden and Norway at Aden.

Surgeon Park, is appointed Civil Surgeon Bikaner.

Surgeon Hunter is appointed to the medical charge of the Bundelkund Political Agency.

The Governor-General is pleased to declare that decrees of the civil courts situate in the following territories of Native Princes or States which have not been established by authority of the Governor-General in Council may be executed in British India as if they had been made by courts of British India :—Kattywar, Kolhapore and the Southern Mahratta Country, Rewa Kantha, Mahi Kantha, Palanpore, Savantwady, Sholapore, Dharwar, Surat, Satara, and Khandesh.

The Governor-General in Council is pleased to extend Section 650 of the Code of Civil Procedure to the same courts.

Mr. Charles Horan is appointed by the Secretary of State a third grade officer in the Indian Marine.

Mr. F. Patten, Assistant Superintendent of the Persian Gulf Section of the Indo-European Telegraph Department, is appointed to succeed Mr. A. Betts, Superintendent, now on furlough for one year.

COLONEL CHESNEY.

Colonel Chesney is not going on furlough immediately, but probably on short privilege leave, in which case Major Crookshank probably represents the Military Department at Rawal Pindi.

THE VICEROY AT THE BETHUNE SCHOOL.

Last evening Lord Dufferin presided at the distribution of prizes at the Bethune School for Native Girls. The Countess of Dufferin gave away the prizes.

THE INDIAN TEAM FOR WIMBLEDON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

UMBALLA, MARCH 14.

The following further complete scores have been received up to date :—

Bombay Volunteers, Kirkee.—Sergt. Murray, 267 ; Sergt. Mawhood, 258.

Railway Volunteers, Sahebgunge.—Lieut. Crosier, 279.

Sind Volunteers, Manora.—Corpl. Moore, 267.

Bombay Volunteers, Coorla.—Voltr. Watkins, 234 ; Corpl. Warne, 215 ; Sergt. Sharpe, 243.

Madras Guards, Salem.—Qr.-mr. Sergt. Henrice, 244 ; Sergt. Ward, 230 ; Sergt. Barren, 225.

Mussoorie Volunteers.—Lieut. Dodd, 244.

1st Punjab Volunteers, Rawal Pindi.—Voltr. Schumacker, 190 ; Voltr. Morrison, 260 ; Sergt. Millard, 246 ; Voltr. Smith, 230 ; and Corpl. Watson, 246.

Lieut. Crosier's shooting is a splendid performance. Under the sanction of the committee the period for competition is extended to the 20th April.

ACCIDENT TO A TROOP TRAIN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, MARCH 15.

No. 13 down troop train proceeding to Rawal Pindi, was derailed at 146th mile. Several soldiers were injured. Medical assistance has been asked for.

THE POLO TOURNAMENT

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MEERUT, MARCH 14.

The 9th Lancers played the 18th Hussars in the final match for the polo tournament, and after a well-contested game the former won by five goals to one. The 9th Lancers played in their usual splendid form, while the 8th Hussars had a weak side, Messrs. Burn and Duff being their mainstay.

MEERUT RACES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MEERUT, MARCH 14.

A very good day's sport was provided in a large card of eight events.

MATCH—Rs 500.

five—furlongs.

Hussar, 11st. 7lb.	1
Mr. Flintoff's Asaf, 11st. 2lb.	2

Won easily in 1m. 20s.

GALLOWAY HANDICAP.

1 mile.

Firefly, 8st. 4lb., Kendal	1
Dynamite, 8st. 7lb., Tingey	2
Aylmah, 9st. 10lb.	0
Herat, 8st. 7lb.	0

Aylmah was favourite, but Firefly won easily by a length in 1m. and 52½s.

HANDICAP CHASE.

1¾ mile.

Greyfriar, 1st, Buttin.	1
Puritan, 10st. 7lb., Fraser	2
Lilliputian, 10st. 7lb., Robinson	0

Very good race. Greyfriar won by three lengths. Time 4m. and 14s.

MATCH—Rs. 800.

Pony chase. Course about 1¾ miles.

Dux, 10st. 7st., Scottjr	1
Master George, 10st., Captain Alexander	2

Won comfortably in 4m. 43½s.

PONY HANDICAP.

Five furlongs.

Dilpussand, 8st. 5lb., Kendal	1
Pioneer, 10st., Taylor	2
Nina, 8st. 10lb., Tingey	3
Ercilie, 8st. 7lb	0
Redskin, 9st	0
New Guinea, 7st. 12lb	0
Modesty, 9st.	0
Coquette, 9st. 12lb	0

Coquette was favourite in the lotteries. Dilpussand with his light weight had no difficulty in winning in 1m. 13s.

ALL-HORSE HANDICAP.

1¼ mile.

Sylvanus, 9st. 7lb., Mr. Johnson	1
Tim Whiffler, 8st. 10lb., Tingey	2
Keswick, 8st. 2lb., Robinson	3
Constance, 8st. 7lb.	0

Won after a good race by half alength in 2 m. 16.

HANDICAP FOR ARABS AND COUNTRY-BRED.

1¾ mile.

Zig Zag, 8st. 2lb., Kendal	1
Kushdil, 9st. 9lb., Native	2
Nelly Bly, 9st. 7lb., Robinson	3
Busybody, 8st. 12lb	0
Arabi Pasha, 8st. 7lb	0
Bonnie Dundee, 8st	0

Won after a good race by a length. Time, 3min. 25½s.

SWEEPSTAKES OF FIFTY RUPEES EACH.

½ mile for polo ponies.

Maud, 11st.	1
Parah, 11st.	2
Nutmeg, 11st.	3
Surprize, 11st.	0

Won by a length in 28s.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENT.

COLOMBO, MARCH 15.

H. M. S May Frere sailed for Bombay. The mail-steamer Ravenna from Calcutta, arrived. The mail-steamer Bokhara from China, arrived.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

LONDON, MARCH 13.

Total week's sales of Cotton	35,000	bales.
" " Imports of Cotton	72,000	"
" " Surats	4,000	"
" Stock of Cotton	990,000	"
" " Surats	51,000	"
" " of Cotton in London	36,000	"

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed dull. Surats steady.

The London Cotton market has been flat.

Good Fair Dhollera ..... 4¾d.

The Manchester market has been quiet.

4 per cent. Rupee Paper	74
4½ "	79½
3 " Consols for account	96⅛
3½ " Sterling Loan	97½
4½ " French Rentes	109⅜
Bar Silver	49

COMING EVENTS.

TO-DAY.

Grant Medical College, prize-distribution by the Governor, 4-45 p.m.

Extraordinrry General Meeting, Students' L. and S. Society, Framji Cowasji Institute, 5-30 p.m.

Band, B. V. R. C., Esplanade, evening.

March 17.—Distribution of prizes (Cathedral High School), Town Hall. H. E. the Governor presides.

" 17.—St. Patrick's Day Celebration, Fort Chapel.

" 18.—Special performance in honour of Sir James Fergusson, Gaiety Theatre.

Mr. W. E. Hart's lecture, Sassoon Institute.

" 19.—Bombay Millowners Association, 3 p.m.

" 20.—Departure of Lord Randolph Churchill by the s. s. Gwalior.

" 21.—Freemasons' Jamsedi Naoroz Festival.

Annual Inspection, Bombay Volunteers, 5 p.m.

" 26.—Farewell dinner to H. E. Sir James Fergusson at Byculla Club.

" 27.—Departure of H. E. the Governor for England.

" 31.—Arrival of Lord Reay by P. and O. s. s. Rosetta.

April 3.—Departure of T. R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught for England.

" 9.—Annual Examination, School of Art.

" 21.—Horse Show at Ahmedabad.

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR JAMES FERGUSSON, who is a patron and life member of the Sassoon Institute, will preside there on Wednesday next, on the occasion of Mr. Hart's lecture on "English Epics."

WE learn that a sum of Rs. 20,000 has already been subscribed to the fund raised for doing honour to the memory of Sir James Fergusson, the retiring Governor of Bombay. It was originally intended to award annually, out of the income of the fund, a gold medal in connection with the Bombay University. The subscriptions having flowed in more liberally than was expected, it is now intended, we hear, to award more than one gold medal, or else the fund will be appropriated to the promotion of some educational object.

IT is stated that the building for the Fergusson College at Poona will be after the style of the Deccan College. A clock-tower will surmount the building.

A MEETING was held yesterday at the Persian Consulate for the purpose of appointing an honorary consul and vice-consul during the absence of H. E. Mirza Yoosef Khan, who will leave Bombay to-day per s. s. Java for Persia. The firman of H. M. the Shah was read with great respect in the presence of about thirty Persian merchants. Haji Mahomed Hassen Khan, a merchant of Mauritius, was appointed as consul, and his son Haji Mirza Abbas Khan, the consul of Mauritius, was appointed as vice-consul.

THE Consul of Mauritius, Haji Mirza Abbas Khan, received yesterday the order of the Sun and Moon, 5th class, from the Shah of Persia.

THE Viceroy's Council has had under consideration the question of a Native Army Reserve.

LADY DUFFERIN will accompany the Viceroy to Rawal Pindi. It is significant of the uncertainty which still overhangs the project of the Amir's visit that the arrangements for the Viceroy's journey to Rawal Pindi are not yet definitely settled. No reply has yet been received from the Amir as to when he purposes to set out for India. The message, however, is now due, and is probably on its way.

IT has been suggested that the Duke of Connaught should be invited to the Durbar at Rawal Pindi. The presence of one of the Royal family, it is declared, would not only be appropriate, but particularly acceptable to the Ameer. There would be no necessity to qualify the Duke by giving him a military command ; he would appear with many other distinguished people in the Viceregal suite.

IT appears that plans for the fortification of Herat were drawn up in Simla last summer, and on these the Afghans could themselves fortify the place. If war does not break out, the necessity for Sir Peter Lumsden's presence in Herat for that purpose might not appear obvious to the Amir ; nor has it yet been officially stated that he would consent, in any case, to the occupation and fortification of Herat by British troops.

REFERRING to the letter which the Nizam, through his Minister, has written to the Resident on the subject of the Russian advance, the *Catholic Examiner* says :—"His Highness's action, which has every appearance of being spontaneous, is well-timed, and his example is sure to exercise a marked influence on the other feudatories of the Empire, both great and small. It is an article of faith with Russian generals that their appearance on our frontier will be enough to set the whole country in a blaze and make our position here untenable. Their opinions in this respect are shared by some of our own countrymen here and at home, who are never done prophesying a general insurrection and unutterable confusion as the result of a Russian war. Even if we allow that the English are not universally beloved in India, and that there may be some people who have reasons of their own for being treasonable at heart, we hold firmly to the conviction that they have read history to no purpose who believe that the Princes and people of India are longing for the advent of the Russians as deliverers."

THE Allahabad paper bears testimony to the loyalty of the native press in the face of the Russian advance. "It is impossible to speak without cordial admiration," it says, "not simply of the thorough-going loyalty which animates their utterances, but of the ability with which the political situation is discussed. It may be, it probably is, that this loyalty is the outcome of some vague feeling of apprehension operating sensibly upon all classes and creeds. The truth is that, throughout native society, there is a large leaven of educated and enlightened men to whom the character and aims of Russian rule are thoroughly understood, and although they may not be altogether satisfied with the British Government, they recognise its benevolence and disinterestedness, and value the freedom it bestows on them too much to care to exchange it for the prospect of a Russian despotism. This, let it be said, is no fanciful and too flattering view of matters. It reflects the convictions of people in all parts of India with exceptional opportunities of forming sound conclusions, and, as well as in other ways, is finding expression in splendid offers of material help to the Government through the length and breadth of the land. Now this steadfast loyalty of an alien race is not merely a sentimental satisfaction, it means many big battalions. And if Russia ever counted on any sympathy among the great body of the natives of Hindustan, much more their active support, she has altogether reckoned without her host."

THE *Indian Spectator* says that a Council meeting of the Bombay Association was held on Friday evening last under the presidency of Mr. Sorabjee Framjee Patel. The members agreed to authorise the secretaries to rent suitable rooms and to employ clerks and peons for the Association. It was also resolved to have another meeting on the 23rd instant to consider and adopt rules drawn up by the secretaries.

ON Wednesday last Lady Dufferin laid the foundation-stone of a hotel for the accommodation of female medical students in connection with the Calcutta Medical College.

THE Maharajah of Burdwan, who was recently operated upon for abscess of the liver, has, it is reported, had a relapse, and is in a critical state.

IT is reported from Behar that a separate judge, ship will be created for the Durbhunga district including the sub-divisions of Motihari, Tajpur, and Begusarai, and that another judgeship will include the districts of Chumparan and Mozufferpore.

WE are sorry to hear that Mr. Lee-Warner, C.S., who has been ill on and off for several months, has been warned by his doctor not to return to Simla, where his illness began. He resigns the Foreign Office, returning to Bombay. The *Pioneer* says he will act for Mr. Chatfield, the Director of Public Instruction.

A REPORT is gaining ground at Singapore that when the Governor, Sir Frederick Weld, returns from leave to the colony, he will be armed with full powers to annex the smaller Malay States, such as Selangore, Surjei, Ugong, and Perak, as well as any other States which may wish to place themselves under British protection.

IS it a common thing in India for children to frequent liquor shops? The Madras Government have recently reformed the regulations for the retailing of liquor, and they formally prohibit retail sellers from serving drink to "any child under twelve years of age for consumption on the premises." From time to time a cry goes up in England, generally during the "silly season," against the iniquity of pastrycooks, who supply cherry-brandy and other mild tipples to adventurous schoolboys ; but if Young Madras takes to arrack before he is twelve he has improved on his Western prototype.

THE Government of Mauritius is placed in much the same position regarding the duty on rum as the Government of India is regarding the revenue derived from opium. One-fifth of the entire revenue of Mauritius is derived from the duty on rum, of which, in addition to the large quantity consumed in the island, a considerable amount is exported. The charge against the Government is that the sale of rum causes an increase of drunkenness, which it is their duty to suppress ; but the official reply is simply that the revenue cannot be sacrificed.

AN up-country paper is informed that a most daring assault was made on a young lady, the daughter of a military officer of Lahore, who was travelling alone from Ahmedabad to Delhi, in a second-class compartment with the No. 2 down mail of 2nd March. It appears that her assailant must have concealed himself somewhere in the train, and waited his opportunity between a station called Anwa and Jodhpore junction, where he got into the compartment where the young lady was and tried to assault her ; but finding that she was just as determined as he was, got out of the carriage and hid himself. He caught the unfortunate girl by the throat and threatened to kill her if she made a noise. Her neck and wrists were cruelly cut and bruised in the struggle. She reported the circumstances of the case to the guard of the train immediately on arrival at Jodhpore junction, when a search was made in the train, but without avail. The girl on arrival at Sujat-road made a complaint to the stationmaster, who is a European, and to the police, and offered a reward of Rs. 200 if the scoundrel were apprehended. The District Traffic Superintendent (Mr. Neville Priestly) is busy making most energetic inquiries into the matter with the assistance of the police.

THE resources of the Sind, Punjab, and Delhi Railway, says an up-country paper, are likely to be taxed to the utmost during this month and April. There is not only the heavy traffic due to the camp of exercise at Rawal Pindi, but there is the approaching Hurdwar Fair, which is expected to be on a very large scale owing to its being the *Koomb*, which recurs every six years. Though the fair does not commence till the 13th of April, streams of pilgrims are already pouring into Hurdwar from the Punjab, and the Sind, Punjab, and Delhi Railway are running special trains for the purpose of conveying them. The pilgrims from Bengal, Western India, and the N.-W. P. will flock to Hurdwar about the end of March, and the district authorities count upon a gathering of between two and three millions.

THE Kumaun Iron Works Company is extinct. This company was first established in 1860 with capital largely supplied by persons connected with Kumaun and the vicinity, and that at the time great expectations were entertained of large profits from iron-working. The capital was much too small, and was soon spent, and the works were suspended for many years. The shareholders, after many ineffectual attempts to raise fresh capital and to establish claims upon the Government for reimbursement of money invested, have at last agreed to accept an offer by the Secretary of State to take over all the works, upon payment to the company of about Rs. 37,000, in full satisfaction of all claims. This sum will be distributed *pro rata* among the shareholders.

The question of employing Turkish troops in Egypt was raised during the war against Arabi ; and a Turkish field officer, interviewed by the Constantinople correspondent of the *New York Tribune*, explained at that time why the Turkish troops object to be sent to Egypt in this wise :—"If we go to Egypt, whom are we to fight. Shall we fight the big fellow (England) ? God forbid ! The big fellow has everything and can do everything. You cut off his water, and he lives on sea water, running it through a machine that transforms it into water better than that of the Kaish mountain springs. You cut off his food, and who knows what machines he may have for changing sand into flour ? You go far inland out of each of his ironclads, and straighway he mounts an ironclad on the railroad and comes at you again. We cannot and will not fight the Englishmen. Then we must be going to fight the Arabs. But the Arabs are Moslems engaged in a religious war. If we fight the Arabs, conquest will bring us nothing, and death will take us to hell. The people already hoot at us in the streets, and call us martyrmakers. We don't want to do any such work."

ONE of those great military spectacles of which the Czar's capital is so often the scene took place at St. Petersburg lately under novel conditions. The Czar passed in review before the Winter Palace the troops forming the St. Petersburg division, on the 8th of February. This force, it is instructive to read, consisted of 42 battalions of infantry, 42 squadrons of cavalry, and 114 guns, in all about 40,000 men. The novel feature of the review was the fact that the corps, which were mostly cantoned in the country outside the capital, had not received any long warning that their presence would be required at the parade. The Cavalry and Artillery received orders to be present only in time to enable them to march direct to the review ground without cleaning up their accoutrements. The march of some of the cavalry extended over thirty miles. The infantry were transported by train, and marched to the scene from the railway station with a similar absence of preparation. His Majesty, it is recorded, was much pleased with the excellent training in which his troops seemed to be. The troops stationed about St. Petersburg, it may be added, are the flower of the Russian army. All the corps which took part in the review belonged to the Russian Guard.

FEW people even know that the Malta lemon grows in India, yet that grown here differs in no way from the lemon of Malta, Sicily, Naples, Nice, Spain, or Portugal. The ease, moreover, with which it can be cultivated by budding on the common "Khatta" trees ; the rapidity with which it grows—in three years rising to 10 feet in height and being laden with fruit ; above all, the utility of the fruit as an anti-scorbutic in unhealthy seasons, ought to make it far better known than it is. In soldiers' gardens, jail gardens, and hospital compounds it would be invaluable. In the Etawah jail gardens, for instance, three years ago Dr. Bonavia, who has studied the growth of the orange and lemon in India perhaps more than any one else, found only one lemon tree, which he had sent there previously, among many thousands distributed in different directions, from Lucknow. From this one tree, in three years, he has now 300 large trees in full bearing, sufficient to supply not only the jail, but the whole neighbourhood, with their fruit.

CAPTAIN LORD WILLIAM BERESFORD, V. C., goes home on six months' leave after the Rawal Pindi Durbar. As Lord William Beresford has been in England for only eighteen days during the last ten years, it will be allowed that he deserves a holiday. He will return to India probably in October. It has not yet been settled who is to carry on the duties of Military Secretary during his absence.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE *Englishman* says :—With the past few days the Presidency Volunteers have received a fresh accession of recruits. Probably the stirring speech which the Viceroy recently addressed to the Volunteers has had as much to do with this gratifying circumstance as the warlike turn which events have taken in Central Asia. Lord Dufferin's significant and impressive words might well find an echo in the minds of all loyal Englishmen in India at the present moment. "Should her Most Gracious Majesty ever call upon you," said the Viceroy to the Volunteers, "to assist in maintaining the domestic peace of the country, while her regular armies are engaged in encountering a foreign foe upon the frontier, you would, I am sure, respond to the call with eagerness and alacrity, and it cannot but be satisfactory to you to remember that the trouble and self-sacrifice you have imposed upon yourselves, in submitting to military discipline and organising your ranks, is storing up, on behalf of the community at large, a reserve of effective strength which at any moment may become most valuable." By treating the movement as a sober reality,—as a "real and practical benefit" to the country—Lord Dufferin has probably given a more powerful impulse to the popularity of the cause than it is likely to receive from all the changes of system that are at present under consideration.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

THE final weekly parade of the Volunteers on Saturday was notable for there being the largest muster that has taken place during the six years of Lieut-Colonel Bayley's command of the corps. Some time was saved by the men falling in at the front of the Gymkhana pavilion, instead of at the Town Hall as usual, so that they were marched without loss of time on to the parade ground. Here they were put through an exceedingly stiff drill, practising the various movements which it is likely they will have to perform at the annual inspection on Saturday next. Thirty rounds of blank ammunition were served out to each man, and in the course of the firing which took place during the attack towards the close of the manœuvres, the volleys nearly caused a stampede among the animals belonging to the Poona Horse picketed on the ground. It was dark before the movements were completed, but Colonel Bayley before dismissing the corps said they had done very creditably, and he hoped they would do as well, if not better, before the inspecting officer. The following was the field state :—

	Field Offis.	Capts.	Lts.	Sergts.	Bugls.	R. & F.	Total.
A Co.	...	1	...	2	...	12	15
B "	...	1	...	2	...	18	21
C "	...	1	1	4	2	30	38
D "	...	...	...	6	...	54	60
E "	...	1	1	5	...	66	73
F "	...	...	1	5	...	20	26
J. Cadets..	...	...	...	5	...	40	45
K. "	...	...	...	5	...	64	69
Staff & Band	3	...	...	2	...	26	31
Army Staff	...	...	...	2	...	4	6
Total.....	3	4	3	38	2	334	384

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORTS.

CALCUTTA, March 14.—The barometer has fallen throughout the whole of India, except at Colombo and Goa. The decrease is moderate in the south of the peninsula, it is brisk over the central parts of the country and rapid in the Punjab and North Bengal. A distinct depression exists over North Bengal, while readings are highest in South Madras. The wind is north-westerly over North-western India, westerly over Bengal, southerly on the Northern Circar's coast, easterly in South Madras, and westerly on the Travancore and South Konkan Coasts. The temperature has risen over the peninsula ; it has fallen generally elsewhere. The sky is fairly clear of cloud in Madras, Ceylon, Burma, the N. W. P., and parts of Bengal ; it is rather covered elsewhere. Rain to-day :—Colombo, 1¼ inches.

EXTENSIVE ROBBERY OF MAIL LETTERS.

A SYSTEMATIC robbery of the railway mail service between Bombay and Baroda, by means of which there have been abstracted many letters containing remittances of considerable value, has just been terminated by the arrest of a whole batch of native sorters employed on the line. For some little time it has been feared that letters despatched over this district have been tampered with in transit. Clear evidence of a case of this kind was revealed at the beginning of the month, and an investigation was instituted which speedily resulted in the detection of serious dishonesty on the part of mail employés. At the end of February a letter despatched to Messrs. Gaddum, Bythell, and Co. at Broach from an agent at Palej, failed to reach its destination for several days, and then arrived with unmistakeable signs of having been tampered with. The original fully stamped envelope had been removed, a clumsy covering of paper pasted together at the edges had been substituted, and the packet, with its several enclosures, had then been reposted in Bombay, unstamped, re-directed in an illiterate hand with sundry misspellings of the address. With business-like promptitude the Broach agents of Messrs. Gaddum and Bythell at once drew the attention of the superintendent of the Gujarat division of the Post Office to the irregularity. Inquiries were immediately set on foot, stimulated by the complaint that four letters containing currency notes and posted on the same train—the up mail from Delhi to Bombay—had also gone astray. These had been despatched at different dates. Three of them, containing fifteen currency notes—mostly in half-notes—of the value of Rs. 165, had been posted on the 20th ult., and the fourth letter, with three half-notes of Rs. 50 each, on the 24th. An inspection of the registers showed that the same batch of sorters had accompanied the mail on both these days. This having been ascertained, Rao Bahadur Luchman Singh, superintendent of the Bombay division of the mail service, waited their next turn on duty. The sorters joined the mail at Baroda, leaving the Gaekwar's capital about nine o'clock each night, and the train reaches Bombay between seven and eight o'clock next morning. Last Friday morning, when the mail stopped at Charni-road, the superintendent entered the postal van and rode on to Church-gate station. Sheik Imam Sheik Shirbhoy, the head sorter, and the five subordinates in his charge denied all knowledge of Messrs. Gaddum, Bythell, and Co.'s letter when it was shown to them. The men were then searched. All their bags were empty, but on Shewshunker Devideen, one of the assistants, a package of letters was found. The Rao Bahadur marched the six men to the Fort Police Office. Here a formal search was made in the presence of Mr. Superintendent Macdermott. The package in Shewshunker's possession proved to contain one opened letter and eight still closed, while fifteen more were discovered unopened in a small bag. On the person of the head sorter was one letter, and in searching his house a second was recovered, addressed to a Mahomedan gentleman. A discovery of another kind transpired in the houses of the remaining men, upwards of thirty mail bags being recovered, which had been converted to domestic purposes, the stamps having been cut off, although the mail service stencilled letters remained. On Saturday morning the prisoners were placed in the dock. Two were charged under the Postal Act with stealing letters, and the others with appropriating Government property. On the application of Mr. Superintendent Macdermott they were remanded until next Friday, and the Public Prosecutor will be communicated with meanwhile. As many of the letters found on the two men are marked "Immediate," it was further arranged that the persons to whom they are addressed should attend on Tuesday morning to open them in the presence of a magistrate. It is still too early for the full extent of the robberies to be known. The bulkiness of the letters as they passed through the hands of the sorters seems to have been the test as to the monetary value of their contents. Notwithstanding the strictness of the postal regulations as to the transmission of valuables, the practice of enclosing currency notes in unregistered letters is shown to prevail extensively. The enclosure of a number of half-notes in one letter, with their corresponding halves in a second letter, actually posted at the same time, seems to have been all the precaution thought necessary. In all probability the fact of two bulky letters being identical in every respect served rather as an indication of the value of the enclosures. The native merchants in Bombay are evidently the chief sufferers. The letters withheld, some containing hoondies for thousands of rupees, and made payable to bearer, are principally directed to large firms in the Mandvie and Khoja Mhola districts of the city, and come from correspondents in the mofussil extending from Gujarat to Kattywar, Cutch, and as far north as Delhi. The commercial community will in this way be taught a severe lesson on the folly of evading the postal regulations. That Shewshunker had made a rich harvest is clear from the extravagance in which he has recently indulged. He has lavished money on finery and jewellery in almost princely style. The police are already able to produce, as purchased from the proceeds of his robbery, yards of costly fabrics for *mandils* or presentation puggarees, a jacket of rich green-velvet, a gold-embroidered Indian shawl, a pair of keyless silver watches, patent-leather boots, a gold ring, and various articles of feminine apparel, such as sarees and bodices, which the accused had given away with the reckless generosity induced by his affluent circumstances. The only pay of this youth, be it mentioned, is fifteen rupees per month. Sheik Imam, who has been twenty years in the department, received sixty rupees salary. The graver aspect of the case against him is that the robberies must have been conducted almost before his eyes.

EVENING PARTY TO SIR JAMES FERGUSSON.

THE Hon. Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart., C.S.I., gives an evening party at Mazagon Castle, on Tuesday, the 24th inst., in honour of Sir James Fergusson. It appears that the predecessors of the present Baronet have had the honour of entertaining retiring Governors of the presidency in former years. In February, 1822, the Hon. Mountstuart Elphinstone was entertained by the first Parsee Baronet (then Mr. Jamsetjee) at his family residence. In February, 1835, the same gentleman gave a ball in honour of the Earl of Clare, for the purposes of which tents were pitched on the top of the then ramparts opposite the family residence in Hornby-row. Again, in January, 1836, Sir Robert Grant was entertained at a ball given in tents on the top of the ramparts opposite Mr. Jamsetjee's residence. In March, 1840, a ball was given in the same place in honour of Sir James Russell Clerk. After the title of knighthood had beenconferred upon him, Sir Jamsetjee, in February, 1843, gave a dinner to Sir George Arthur in the Hornby-row mansion. Mazagon Castle was first utilised for an entertainment in January, 1849, when a ball was given there in honour of Viscount Falkland. Lord Elphinstone and Sir Bartle Frere visited the Fort residence on several occasions. Sir Richard Temple was present at a reception given at Mazagon Castle to do him honour previous to his proceeding on board the steamer for England.

INSPECTION OF THE POONA DETACHMENT, B. V. R.

THE annual inspection of the Poona Detachment, B. V. R. Corps, took place on the Poona polo ground on Saturday. The muster was in every way creditable to the detachment, and the men went through the various movements well and rapidly—too rapidly, in fact, as Sir John Ross subsequently remarked. His Excellency addressed the men after he had inspected them, and, in the course of his speech, said that the Poona detachment drilled better and was smarter than the Bombay companies, but that "H" Company was more efficient than "G" Company. The following was the field state :—One captain, 2 lieutenants, 16 sergeants, 7 corporals, 2 buglers, 127 volunteers ; total 155. The absence of many men was accounted for by their being on duty in the districts and the Soudan.

"NOW OR NEVER."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Now that the Bear has evinced unmistakeable signs of his intentions, is it not absolutely necessary that the Lion should be up and doing something more than guashing his teeth and lashing his sides with his tail ? Do you think, sir, that your readers should any longer be beguiled with notices of the proposed display, etc., at Rawal Pindi ? Surely, the time for "masterly inactivity" has passed away. A statesman of Lord Dufferin's capacity and experience cannot fail to see that the situation is one not to be trifled with. It must have ere now dawned upon the minds of his Council, and have become evident to himself, that no time is to be lost in counteracting the aggressions of Russia. Prating about this and that "arrangement," and the cessation of friction, and all that sort of vague nonsense, must really give way to some practical measures. Only very credulous optimists can believe in peace for India, or England even, being otherwise insured. The immediate assembling on our frontier of an army composed of British and Indian troops numbering 50,000 men at least would tend very much, I should say, to allay the anxiety and inquietude felt, most probably, throughout the length and breadth of the Indian Empire. It is very well, according to some thinkers, to regard the aspect of affairs with cool indifference and to talk of "remote contingencies," but is such lethargy commendable on the part of the British Government ? Of the above army not less than 15,000 would, perhaps, in the course of events, be required to assist the Ameer in the defence of Kabul and its environs. A garrison of about 5,000 might be needed to occupy Jelallabad and the same number would have to hold Kandahar. This would dispose of 25,000. About 15,000 would be required to be in readiness for expected emergencies (not "remote contingencies"). The remaining 10,000 should form a reserve to be reinforced if necessary. No one can speculate with any certainty as to the advent of the R wal Pindi "Field of the cloth of gold !" Such playing at soldiers and useless pageants must be postponed indefinitely. The Ameer, according to the present outlook, will have quite enough to do to look after his affairs at home, now that Russia threatens to try conclusions with him, or anybody else who may come in her way.

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		P.M.
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	P.M.	
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